

The Magic Christmas Day



Woe Elsie had been told,
By some hobgoblin bold,
To hang her stockings neat
And then this verse repeat:
"Twinkle, twinkle, star, so bright,
Stocking, oh, stocking, much bigger be-
come."
On Christmas Eve, therefore,
She said these lines three or four,
Lo! hardly were they said,
When right above her head
A pair of stockings were
That surely seemed, to her
A giant to belong—
"Good-night to you," she said,
And clambered into bed,
Quite sure next day would show
Them filled from top to toe.

"Whoa there! my Jupiter, Gallant and
Gray!
Quietly, reindeer, a moment here stay."
And leaving them his sleigh,
Old Natty made his way
Quick down the chimney flue
And through the fireplace, too.

"Dear me, what's this I see!
It surely cannot be—
None but a greedy miss
Would hang such things as this!"

man swung himself down from the

branches, and behold, it was Robert,
grinning and chuckling.
"I reckoned you all couldn't get down
out of the taller tree, so I done stuck
'em down for you."
So their first effort was made easy.
That day's labor showed a fine start on
the nut heap, that grew and grew in
the corner of the garret.

It was not always so easy. After the
meadow trees were stripped they had
to hunt in the woods, and often the
trees were too high for the boy to
climb.

Other times he and Margy could go
up together and they would both dance
on the limbs with all their strength,
till the nuts came rattling down in a
jolly shower.

Sometimes, as the October days grew
colder, they would come home with
teeth chattering and fingers and noses
blue with cold. Then mother would
wash them out and give them hot lemon-
ade.

And the pile of nuts in the corner of
the garret grew and grew.
You mustn't think that picking up the
nuts was all of the work. Not by any
sort of means. For every nut had a
little green house of its own; and al-
though sometimes the four little walls
of it fell away at a touch, oftener the
nut gatherers had to try force.

Two stones would do the business—
one to pound on and the other to pound
with. Fingers and thumbs got pounded,
too, sometimes, and if you want to know
if it hurt or not, just try pounding your
own finger sometime when it is half
frozen.

But that was part of the affair, and
mother's apple bottle and solve would
stop the ache and dry the tears. Then,
too, it was very interesting to unwind

Greek church. While this date was
never changing, the reckoning of it is
made according to the Gregorian cal-
endar, which was adopted in the lat-
ter part of the sixteenth century, and
upon which computations of time in
nearly all civilized nations have since
rested.—American Queen.

Little Johnny's Resolutions.
"Next Tuesday'll be New Year's day,"
Said little Johnny Lake.
"Some resolutions, mom declares,
I really ought to make.
Mom's promised to stop gossipin',
An' so has Sister Sue.
I guess I'll resolve a bit.
Let's see—what shall I do?"

"I'll resolve, I guess, to quit
A-splittin' kindlin' wood;
Then pop'll have to do that work,
Like fathers always should.
An' then, while I'm a-doin' it,
I'll resolve to quit—
The Sunday school, fer goin' there
With me don't make no hit."

"I'd like to resolve some way
To get myself a goat;
I want a buttin' billy ram
With whiskers on his throat.
An' then I'll resolve, I guess,
To beat up Tommy Hunt;
He's took an' stole my girl from me,
The doggone little runt!"

"I reckon that's enough for me
To resolve just now;
At any rate, I'll make that do—
It's plenty, anyhow.
Let's see—I start on New Year's day.
Well, that ain't very far.
Won't mom be tickled when she finds
How well I've minded her?"
—Denver Post.

Christmas in King Alfred's Reign.
In King Alfred's time, and all
through the middle ages Christmas be-
gan on St. Thomas's Day and lasted

Did You Ring, Good Sir?



Which shows that even our forefathers had their troubles.—Cincinnati Post.

So Santa sadly took
The stockings from their hook,
And in their place he put
One meant for smaller foot;
Nor did he leave behind
A gift of any kind.

Next day, at sunrise, a little maid sobbed,
Bitterly crying that she had been robbed.
When right before her the goblin ap-
peared—
"Greedy! robbed you," he said, as he
leered.

Earning Christmas Money

The boy and Margy thought and
thought and thought. Finally they
went to Violet Amanda in the kitchen,
for they did not want to let father and
mother know. It was to be a surprise.
This Christmas they had planned to
keep the spirit of old St. Nicholas in
their hearts, and there were to be gifts
bought with money of their own earn-
ing. How to earn it was the question.
Violet Amanda had no suggestions to
offer. But Robert, the hired man, had an
idea. Now, to look at Robert you'd
never believe he could have an idea
stowed away under his black skin and
woolly topknot; but looks are some-
times deceiving.

"Out in the meadow," he said, slowly,
as Violet Amanda poured him a second
cup of coffee, "dey's a pow'ful heap
sight ob hick'ry nuts on dem big trees,
an' dey's 'em in the wood lot. Yo' all
could git money to dem nuts ob dey
wuz pandered. Dey's jes' ripe to fall
in 'out ob shucks."

"Margy!" cried the boy, "it's just
the thing. How much could we get for
a bushel of 'em, Robert?"

"I heerd somebody say," said Rob-
ert, as he wiped his mouth on the back
of his sleeve, "dat yo' could git two
dollars fo' dem dis fall up in de city."
"Well, start the minute we've
finished breakfast," they cried.

Mother's consent to a nutting party
was given without question. Bags and
baskets were provided, and a lunch of
bread and butter, with honey spread
between, and off they started for the
clump of hickory trees in the sheep pas-
ture.

As they crawled through a hole in
the garden fence they could hear the
trees rustling in a very queer way for
a still day, and pretty soon they espied
somebody in one of the trees, shaking
it vigorously.

"It's a man!" cried Margy, dismayed.
"It's a thief!" shouted the boy.
"Come on!" And from far away he
yelled: "You thief! Come down out of
our trees!"
But before they reached the spot the

long, narrow rag and show the
wound to father after supper.

All through the nutting season neither
father nor mother asked one single
troublesome question, so that made it
easy to keep the secret, although both
Margy and the boy were high to burst-
ing with the importance of it.

And the nut pile in the corner of the
garret grew and grew.

Every time they added to their hoard
the whole was carefully measured till
at last there were three full bushels,
heaped to running over. Uncle Tom
was let into the secret, and he came
over one day when father and mother
were gone and took away the nuts.
Two days later he came back looking
very important.

"Hullo, children," he said, "come out
in the woodshed with me a minute.
The old black cat's out there washing
her face."

Out there, behind the chip pile they
never looked at the black cat, but Uncle
Tom opened his hand and showed them
six big round silver dollars.

"There's your Christmas money," he
said.

"We'll divide even," said the boy gen-
erously, "even if you are the little-est,
because you worked just as hard. So
there's three of 'em for each of us."

"What a Christmas we'll have," cried
Margy rapturously.

"The best ever. It's great fun doing
things ourselves."

And so the sweet kindly spirit of good
old Saint Nicholas lived again, and
grew and grew in the hearts of Margy
and the boy, just as the nut pile had
grown in the garret.

No, indeed, the soul of Saint Nicholas
is not dead, and will never die so long
as there are hearts on earth full of gen-
erosity and love.—Portland Oregonian.

Christmas Day.
There are no definite allusions in the
writings of any of the disciples of
Christ as to the date of his birth, nor
has there ever been produced proof of
any character as to the exact period in
the year when Christ was born. There
are, very true, occasional references to
the event in the Scriptures, indicating
that the Nativity occurred in the win-
ter season.

The institution of the anniversary
dates back to the second century of
Christianism, and it has been since uni-
formly celebrated by nearly all the
branches of the Christian church with
appropriate rejoicings and ceremonies.
The frequent and somewhat heated
controversies, however, relative to the
date of Christ's birth early in the
fourth century led Pope Julius I to
order a thorough investigation of the
subject by the learned theologians and
historians of that period, which re-
sulted in an agreement upon Dec. 25,
and that decision seemed to have so
settled all disputes that that date was
universally accepted except by the

until Twelfth Night, and was moreover
as much a festival for fathers and
mothers as for their children. There
was no pantomime, it is true; but
there was a Lord of Misrule, elected
in every important household, at court,
at the universities and above all, at
the Inns of Court; and it was his busi-
ness to see that there were no lapses
into seriousness during the Christmas
holidays. He was a very expensive in-
stitution, it seems; for in Edward VI's
reign, when it was the business of the
authorities to make the poor little boy-
king forget all the murders that were
keeping him on the throne, the Christ-
mas revels were particularly costly and
the Lord of Misrule's costume alone
cost £52 8s. 8d.—New York Globe.

The Worm Turned.
Mrs. Cobwiger—While it's true that
women wear men's neckties, you surely
couldn't expect me to appear in public
in such a monstrosity as this. Where
in the world did you ever get such a
tie?

Cobwiger—My dear, that's the one
you bought for me last Christmas.—
Judge.

A Time of Peril.
Clarissa—I'm always glad when New
Year's day is safely over.

Fidelity—Yes; it is sudden annu-
versary.

Clarissa—Oh, I don't mean that.
I mean I always have a horrid
quarrel suggesting improvements in
each other's conduct.

"Jessie Christmas!"
Little Jessie woke up on Christmas
morning and called to her four-year-
old sister Mary:

"Merry Christmas!"
"Jessie Christmas!" promptly an-
swered the baby.

Stock on Hand.
Bradde—Going to make any new res-
olutions this year, Spikes?

Spikes—Now once? I should say not.
I've got a lot of old ones I've never
used, by Jove!

DISCOVERED!
The best system of agriculture is the
one that will return the same net
profits and the most plant food to the
soil. It seems hard for us to get out
of the old rut. Some farmers will dig
200 bushels of potatoes from an acre
of land and sell them for \$30 and
think they have reached the climax
of profitable agriculture, but he is like
the man who paid \$6,000 for a farm
and after having dug \$3,000 worth of
fertility out of it was obliged to sell



One farmer recommends quarter
pound doses of baking soda for colic
in animals.

There is no sentiment about a hen.
She is an egg and meat machine, and
nothing else.

Pigs will fatten rapidly when fed
corn alone, but the fattening will be
at the expense of health and growth.

Poultry manure is worth not less
than \$12 a ton. But if you store it
where it will get wet, it will not be
worth much of anything.

You can't count the wrinkles on the
horns of the cow that has been de-
horned so as to tell her age, so it is
a good plan to keep a record book of
your cows.

Hercules cleaned the Augean stables
by flooding them with water from the
river. You can clean and sweeten the
atmosphere of your stables by flooding
them with sunlight.

It is an excellent plan to whitewash
the trees, filling the cracks in the bark
with lime, so as to fill up many hiding
places of fruit pests, as well as to de-
stroy many which are in hiding.

It is claimed on reliable authority
that corn-fed horses are more suscep-
tible to weak eyes than those given other
grains. Corn may enter into the ration
without any serious results, but it
should not be made the entire ration.

It is always better to give medicine
to swine in food. But if one wants to
drench, fasten a piece of rubber hose
securely to a bottle containing the
medicine. Throw the pig, put a stick
in its mouth and allow the fluid to
slowly run down the throat.

The present cotton output of Brazil
is estimated at 80,000 tons, and, ac-
cording to reports received from United
States consuls living in that coun-
try, the industry is increasing rapidly.
Primitive methods are still in vogue,
however, and the quality of the product
is poor.

We are now cutting timber from the
forests of the United States at the
rate of 500 feet board measure a year
for every man, woman and child. In
Europe they use only 10 board feet.
At this rate in less than thirty years
all our remaining virgin timber will
be cut. Time to change our methods.

The government reports the hay crop
to be 1.52 tons, compared with 1.44 ton
year average. Total production, esti-
mated, 67,748,000 tons, compared with
63,677,000 last year. Average quality is
94.5, against 90.4 last year. Rye esti-
mated production, 30,921,000 bushels,
against 31,596,000 last year. Quality is
better.

How hard should the ground freeze
before covering up the strawberry
vines? Well, if it will hold a wagon
up when driven over it you may con-
clude that it is time to put on the
mulch. Don't put on too much at first,
however. Increase the amount of cover-
ing as the weather increases in se-
verity.

A much more sensible and profitable
type of agriculture will prevail than
is general to-day, when every quarter
section farm in the country supports
a herd of from thirty to sixty sheep.
They are large consumers of waste
vegetable growths—the byproducts of
the farm—and for this reason every
landowner should keep a flock.

Again let us urge you not to leave
the tools out to warp and rust in the
winter storms. One winter's exposure
will hurt them more than two or three
years' use. Clean them up and put
them away in the dry. If you have
no tool house put them in the packing
shed. A coat of paint applied now will
add several years to the life of the
woodwork of tools.

If the farmer is in such straits finan-
cially that he must economize, let him
go without socks and undershirt rather
than scribble on the price of seed corn
or oats that he has to buy this season.
He would be far better off at harvest
time or looking if he got good seed
oats at 75 cents and seed corn at \$3
than he would be to take poor seed
of either grain as a gift. Economize if
you must, but let it not be in seeds of
any kind.

The Chicago health commission has
forbidden the sale of milk from ordi-
nary tin cans. All milk must now be
delivered in sealed bottles. Nearly
one-half of the infant mortality of the
city is supposed to be traceable to im-
pure milk. It requires careful wash-
ing and constant care to keep a tin
can in good condition. Few people
know how to wash a can and those who
do know apparently do not like the
job. If you want any proof of this
fact, take the cover off of any milk
can that is being returned from any
city and notice the nasty stench that
meets your nostrils. The price of city
milk is constantly advancing, so that
farmers have hopes of getting money
enough to pay them to keep it clean
and in prime condition.

Get Out of the Rut.
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one that will return the same net
profits and the most plant food to the
soil. It seems hard for us to get out
of the old rut. Some farmers will dig
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of profitable agriculture, but he is like
the man who paid \$6,000 for a farm
and after having dug \$3,000 worth of
fertility out of it was obliged to sell



It for \$3,000. There is no practical
farming that does not maintain soil
fertility.

Sufficient Feed for Winter.
We are making a mistake when we
neglect to provide an abundance of
succulent food for our live stock dur-
ing the winter. There is great need of
succulent food in all rations and there
is something about this succulence that
the chemist cannot find that is of value
to the animals. Ensilage, turnips and
mangels will make excellent succe-
lence.

One point we should study in the
feeding of live stock is that of mak-
ing the ration palatable. The matter
of palatability or the individual ap-
petites of our animals is a matter that
is seldom recognized, although it is of
great importance.

In most cases animals will thrive
better when they are fed a ration that
they relish even though it is not theo-
retically balanced to a fraction of a
per cent, than they will on a ration
that is not agreeable to their appetites
even if properly balanced.

Of course we cannot disregard the
relative proportions of nutritious and
carbohydrous material in the ra-
tions, but first we must be sure that
the ration is large enough and then
look to its palatability instead of split-
ting hairs over a slight variation in
nutritive ratios.—Exchange.

Heating Water For Cattle.

The Indiana station made an invest-
igation of the methods of beef produc-
tion used by the successful feeders in
the State. A list of 100 questions was
sent out to 2,500 of the most successful
cattle feeders in the State.

In response to these inquiries 929 re-
plies were received. While all phases
of the subject were touched upon it is
interesting to note that in the matter
of an adequate water supply 58 per
cent of the feeders use wells for the
purpose of watering their cattle, 21 per
cent used springs and the remainder
depended upon ditches, creeks or nat-
ural ponds.

In regard to the heating of water in
winter, tank heaters were used by 30
per cent, a few of the remainder de-
pended upon pumping water as the cattle
need it; upon springs which never
freeze up; or upon banking the water
tanks with sawdust, manure or some
other substance to keep them from
freezing.

But taken as a whole the great ma-
jority make no provision whatever in
regard to warming the water in winter.

Rate of Alfalfa Seedling.

Alfalfa seed is sown at the rate of
fifteen to eighteen pounds per acre.
Some growers recommend a larger
amount than this, using as high as
twenty pounds of seed per acre, while
others claim that ten to twelve pounds
per acre is sufficient, says an Oklahoma
report. It is certain that in cases
where the soil is placed in first class
condition and the seed purchased has a
high germinative power good results
can be obtained by using fifteen to six-
teen pounds of seed per acre, but if
these conditions are not met then a
larger amount of seed will be required.

The method of seedling varies in dif-
ferent sections of the state, but what-
ever the method may be one should al-
ways aim to secure a uniform distribu-
tion of the seed. Any up-to-date grass
seeder will accomplish this object, or
an ordinary shoe drill can be used ad-
vantageously. Some drills are built
with a grass seeder attachment from
which the seed can be scattered in
front of the drill and the shoes or disc
in passing over the surface will give
sufficient covering. Placing the seed
at a depth of more than one inch is
not advisable. The amount of plant
food which is stored up for the young
embryo is limited, and when the seed
is placed in the soil with a layer of
earth to the depth of one or two inches
above it the amount of food is insuffi-
cient to carry the little plant above the
surface, hence large numbers perish.

As soon as the plant reaches the sur-
face it is able to collect new supplies
of food from the soil and atmosphere.
It has not been our practice to use a
nurse crop with alfalfa.

Milk Inspection.

In speaking of milk inspection, Chief
Webster of the United States Dairy
Department, said: "Its purpose is to
protect the public against impure milk.
Such may come from several sources.
First, in the case of animals, we need
a better inspection, for they may be
badly infected with tuberculosis and
still the disease would not be apparent
to the eye. Second, the handlers of milk
need a closer inspection, and when
such persons have a contagious disease
they should not be allowed to handle
the milk or any of its products. Third,
there should be more sanitary inspec-
tion of buildings and equipment. Fourth,
the laboratory inspection is im-
portant and should be placed in im-
portant hands. It is of the utmost im-
portance that the inspection work be
done by experienced and educated men.
Politics should not adulterate the milk
and is most detrimental to the accom-
plishing of the most good. The police
authority alone is the least effective in
this work, for you can't make a man
clean with a club; he must be educated.
However, it is best that the inspector
be clothed with police power, for there
are in some communities those who
will heed nothing but pure force. The
police power makes the work more ef-
fective in all cases, but is not always
necessary. The larger per cent of the
milk sold in the smaller towns and
cities is not, perhaps, entirely objection-
able, but is not quite right."

Mr. Webster would recommend that
all milk be pasteurized under official
control until some better means could
be found. High class milk or certified
milk is more or less costly to produce,
and the price is much above what the
majority of people can afford to pay,
and pasteurized milk can be sold at a
reasonable price.

REPORT ON BANKS MADE

Comptroller L. O. Murray Submits
His Figures and Statistics
to Congress.

SHOWS THE AMOUNTS HELD.

Resources of Institutions at Last
Accounts \$9,087,960,484, Hav-
ing Doubled Since 1900.

The banking power of the United
States to-day is shown to be \$17,642,-
705,274 in the annual report of Law-
rence O. Murray, Comptroller of the
Currency. This is an amount exceeding
the world's banking power in 1890.
There are 25,000 banks and banking in-
stitutions in the United States. The
Comptroller places the world's banking
power to-day at \$23,107,000,000. This
places the aggregate banking power of
the world at \$45,750,000,000.

The report deals almost exclusively
with figures. Mr. Murray has this to
say on failures and the cause:

Of the thirty-three national banks for
which receivers were appointed during
the year ended Oct. 31, 1908, nine banks,
with aggregate capital of \$1,200,000, were
reopened to solvency and authorized to
resume business, while receivers proceeded
to liquidate the assets of twenty-four
banks found to be irretrievably insolvent.
The nominal value of assets taken charge
of by the receivers of these twenty-four
banks was \$31,415,511, the liabilities, so
far as reported, being \$10,342,010. Divi-
dends to the amount of \$7,994,646 have
been paid to creditors of the banks which
failed during the year, and the affairs of
one such bank having been finally settled
the receivership was terminated.

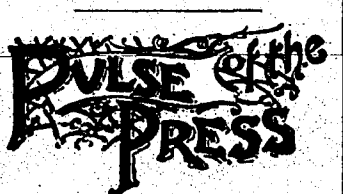
"Noting the cause of failure of banks
in charge of receivers during the year, it
appears that seven banks were wrecked
by the cashier, one by defalcation of of-
ficers and three chiefly through fraudulent
management, among other causes. Of the
remainder, four failed from excessive
loans to others and depreciation of securi-
ties, etc., three by reason of injudicious
banking, two from excessive loans to di-
rectors and others and two from deprecia-
tion of securities, one from failure of
large debtors and one from general stringen-
cy in the money market.

The Comptroller estimates the num-
ber of depositors in national banks at
5,250,000. Here are figures showing
bank earnings:

Consolidating the reports of earnings
and dividends for the year ended July 1,
1908, on an average capital and surplus
of \$893,932,010 and \$548,850,476, respec-
tively, the gross earnings are shown to be
\$32,454,602; losses, etc., charged off,
\$50,568,245, and expenses and taxes paid,
\$170,551,049, leaving net earnings of
\$131,325,288. The aggregate amount of
dividends paid during the period was
\$97,336,282, an average of 10.80 per cent.

Continuing, the report says:

On or about June 30, 1908, the banks
of the country had on hand \$1,328,329,-
983, against \$1,113,742,316 in 1907, a gain
of \$214,587,667 during the year. About
two-thirds of the cash holdings of the
banks of the country is in national banks.
Bank resources have more than doubled
since 1900, but during the current year
there has been a decrease of about one-
third of 1 per cent.



As Prince Helle de Sagan might say,
"All is lost save Anna."—New York
Mail.

It isn't Germany that's really worry-
ing England at present. It's India.—
Boston Journal.

The cheerful idiot notices that forest
fires do not attack family trees.—Cleve-
land Plain Dealer.

China's 3-year-old Emperor didn't
mount his throne; he toddled up.—
Philadelphia Record.

Being but 2 years old, probably the
Chinese Emperor is ruled by a nurse
instead of a Chancellor.—Philadelphia
Ledger.

John D. may not be the father of the
Standard Oil Company, but he is a very
near and dear relative.—Milwaukee
Journal.

What was the total cost in printer's
ink, paper and wages for carrying on
those recent foreign wars?—Detroit
Free Press.

They are building a skyscraper in
New York with six stories under-
ground, intending, probably, to scrape
sky on both sides of the earth.—
Philadelphia Press.

Can you recognize a moral on sight?
A member has just resigned from a
"mothers' club" in Boston under a con-
viction that her children need her at
home.—Detroit Free Press.

The restaurants are talking of tariff
revision likewise, with a view to re-
moving bread and butter from the free
list.—Boston Herald.

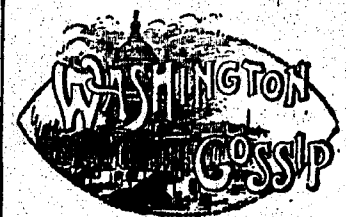
We always did think that Anna
Gould would soon repent of marrying
one of the Night Riders of Paris.—
Memphis Commercial Appeal.

More irony of fate. The during wom-
an who climbed the highest peak in
South America is seriously ill from the
effects of stepping upon a nail.—Cleve-
land Plain Dealer.

The appearance of snakes is consid-
ered a mild winter sign. It is also a
sign that the water wagon is fast be-
coming empty.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The death of Mrs. O'Brien of Phila-
delphia, at the age of 104, shows that
the life of the inveterate smoker ulti-
mately ends in death.—Louisville Jour-
nal.

When Mr. Rockefeller asserts that
dealing in oil is a very precarious busi-
ness it is evident that he is still bent
on discouraging competition.—Provi-
dence Tribune.



What was accomplished toward the

construction of the big ditch across the
American isthmus during the last fiscal
year is told with much detail in the re-
port of the Canal Commission. It
shows that the total cost of the canal
to date, including the \$20,000,000 appro-
priated for the year 1908, is \$120,-
004,498. With an average of 48,067
workers on the pay roll, the death rate
per thousand was 18.32, less than half
of the previous year. The decrease
was especially among the blacks, and
this testifies to improved sanitation.
During the year 629 patients in the hos-
pitals died out of 27,523 treated. Ma-
chinery in use at the end of the year
included 101 steam shovels, 30 Ameri-
can and French locomotives, 3,451
American cars and 650 French cars, 20
cranes, 30 unloaders, 9 track shifters,
18 pile drivers, 23 earth spreaders and
46 unloading plows. All the settlements
were supplied with electric lights, num-
bering 13,355 sixteen-candle lights.

The annual report of Postmaster
General Meyer discloses a deficit of
\$10,010,278, the largest in the history
of the department, the increase in re-
venue having been only half the ordinary
rate of recent years. The chief cause
of the deficit is the large increase of
the rural free delivery system, which
cost \$34,361,463. The Postmaster Gen-
eral recommends now a parcel post ad-
dition to the rural delivery, believing
that it would be not only of great ben-
efit to the farmers, but would earn mil-
lions for the postal service. Further-
more, it is urged that such a service
would help the small local stores.

Crawford Avalanche.

A. F. OLSON, Editor and Proprietor.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 17

HomeCircleDepartment

A column dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Grate thoughts as they fall from the Editorial Pen—Pleasant Evening Reveries.

A girl who is brought up to earn her own living never will "just settle down to nothing." She will understand the value of money, having earned it, and can give her husband wise counsel and sympathy in his business difficulties. She can take entire charge of all the money expended for the house and do it in such a business-like way that it will give her husband infinite satisfaction. She can earn a little something for herself perhaps, and at least she will have the comfort of knowing that whatever happens she will fall on her feet. If her husband dies she will be able to do something toward the support of herself and children. And we think a woman who has sense and intelligence enough to be self-supporting is always more respected by her husband and everyone.

There is a vast difference between a house and a home. The house is but a building and furniture, the outward shelter and the gathering place of the household. The home indicates the kindly family affection, the thoughtful care, ready sympathy, mutual confidence and trust of the members. A true home breathes the atmosphere of love. A child should be made to feel that his home is indeed a home, the happiest place in the world, not merely an outward shelter and a resting place, but a center of enjoyment, sanctified and purified by love, the thought and remembrance of which should be the safeguard of his life as he goes forth to the world, giving strength and proportion to his character.

The great event in every young man's life is the awakening. There comes a time when he is aroused from the dreamy carelessness of boyhood by the opening possibilities of life. If he then drops into indifference and begins life in an easy, shiftless way, he fritters away his chances. If he comes to a deep earnest purpose to be his best and do his best, he arrives early at the highest rank among equals in business, profession or trade. Enthusiasm leads him to attempt the seemingly impossible. Effort will achieve the marvelous. Effort will seize transcendent leadership in the chosen sphere. These forces in youth look forward, while age looks backward. They make youth radically venturesome, while age becomes conservatively cautious. Youth may make mistakes, but is doing something. Age less active, may be less mistaken. It is well for enthusiasm and energy to be guarded by experience but not to be paralyzed by fear.

Could He who promised our burdens should be light if we trusted in Him, and in the matchless sermon on the mount, warned his disciples to take no thought of what they should eat, and rebuked Martha because she was fretful and cross and all out of sorts in trying to get up a feast for him, have any approval of the "much serving," the relays of china and silver, and the ceremonious attendance of the present day, or a word of commendation for the cheerless, worrying Marthas, who bake and brew, and fry and stew, and wear themselves out with self imposed catering for morbid appetites.

When economy becomes the chief end and aim of existence, a sort of domestic god, before which all must bow down, the happiness of the home is likely to be sacrificed. Every expenditure that would give pleasure is held in abeyance until such a time as the family feel that they "can afford it," and as a rule, this time never comes, and the pleasure is relinquished.

Kings may rule nations, yet woman's deth hand may prepare the dish that rules the king.

Home Love the Best.

We think home love is the best. The love that you are born to is the sweetest that you will ever have on earth. You, who are anxious to escape from the home nest, pause a moment and remember that this is so. It is right that the hour should come when you in your time should become a wife and mother and give the best love to others, but that will be just it. No body, not a lover, not a husband, will ever be so tender or so true as your father or mother. Never again after strangers have broken the beautiful bond, will there be anything so sweet as the little home circle of mother, father and children, where you were cherished, protected and kept from harm. You may not know it now but you will know it some day. Whomever you marry, true and good though he may be, will after the long days are over and the honeymoon has passed, give you only what you de-

serve of love or sympathy, and usually much less, never more.

A Happy Woman.

Is she not the very sparkle and sunshine of life? A woman who is happy because she can't help it, whose smiles even the coldest sprinkles of misfortune cannot dampen. Men make a terrible mistake when they marry for beauty, for talents, or for style. The sweetest wives are those who possess the magic secret of being contented under any circumstances. Rich or poor, high or low, makes no difference; the bright little fountain of joy bubbles up just as musically in their hearts. Do they live in a log cabin, the fire that leaps upon its humble hearth becomes brighter than the gilded chandeliers in an Aladdin palace. Where is the stream of life so dark and unpropitious that the sunshine of a happy face falling on the turbid tide will not wake an answering gleam? Why, these joyful, good-tempered people don't know half the good they do.

Farmers' Institute.

The Crawford County Farmers' Institute held at the Court House December, 4th and 5th was a decided success. Although the attendance was small the first day, it was fairly attended the second. But we know it would have been to their advantage if a good many more of our farmers had attended. All present were well repaid for their time spent listening to the various topics discussed by the State speakers, as well as to the experiences of some of our most practical farmers.

The following is the list of officers for the ensuing year:

President—Charles Bliley; Secretary—Hugo Schreiber; Vice President—Geo. F. Owen, Maple Forest; Vice President—Wellington Baterson, Frederic; Vice President—Perry Osterander, Grayling; Vice President—L. B. Merrill, Beaver Creek; Vice Pres.—Augustus Funch, South Branch.

H. Schreiber Jr. was elected delegate to the State Round Up.

WOMEN'S SECTION.

Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser, President, of Woman's section of Farmers' Institute at Parlor of Relief Corps Hall. Mrs. R. Brink rendered the music for the occasion and after the singing, Mrs. L. Fournier gave an interesting paper on, "The Essentials of a Home."

The paper was most excellent, containing many good uplifting thoughts and the discussion led by Mrs. Barnum called out many opinions from the members present. It was requested that the paper they published, and Mrs. Fournier consented to allow it to be done at some future time.

Mrs. Brink then read a paper concerning one of the great evils menacing our country, and the discussion following was most energetic and forceful.

Mrs. Barnum of Charlotte then delivered an address on "Every-day Housekeeping." Her remarks were distinctive and ably given, were instructive to the point and most of all they were practical, especially to the Farmer's wives. The talk was enjoyed by all present, the only suggestion being, that she repeat it to the husbands, that the ladies might profit by the conversation of the husbands to Mrs. Barnum's suggestions.

It was voted to have been one of the most cheerful and instructive meetings ever held in Grayling.

Mrs. Feldhauser was unanimously chosen for President for another year.

Mrs. B. N. Insley was chosen for Secretary for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Feldhauser made some very good remarks concerning the aims and intentions of the Woman's Section of Farmers' Institute and some excellent suggestions for a large attendance next year.

The meeting then closed to meet next year at same place.

Marked For Death.

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bae, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at A. M. Lewis & Co's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

The Agricultural College announces that in addition to the special short courses in Agriculture, Creamery Management, Cheese making, and Fruit Growing which have been given for several seasons past, two new courses, one in Forestry and one in Poultry Culture and also a second years course in creamery management will be given this year. These courses with the exception of the cheese course, begin January 5. The Cheese Course begins February 15. These are short practical courses designed for young farmers and others who wish to obtain a technical training along their chosen line, but for various reasons cannot take up a regular college course. A catalogue will be sent on application.

Scores of school children while enjoying the snow the past week, have also followed the dangerous practice of jumping on to sleighs while in motion. No serious accident has yet occurred but several have had narrow escapes. The parents are the ones to blame but the children will be the ones to suffer.

Proceedings of the Common Council.

[OFFICIAL.]

Grayling, Dec. 7, 1908.
Regular meeting of the Common Council convened at the Court House. J. F. Hym, President, in the chair. Present: Trustees Brink, Kraus, Petersen, Fournier and Insley, Absent: Trustee Clark.
Meeting called to order by the President.
Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Moved and supported, that the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and orders drawn for the several amounts. Motion carried.

REPORT.

To the President and Trustees of the Common Council, of the Village of Grayling.
Your Committee on Claims and Accounts would recommend that the following bills be allowed as follows:

	Cl'md.	Alld.
1. Grayling Elect. Co. service	\$188.35	\$188.35
2. Metropolitan Elect. Co., material	27.00	27.00
3. Wm. Woodfield, service fire depart.	3.50	3.50
4. Wm. Woodfield, service fire depart.	7.00	7.00
5. Gregory, Mayer & Thorn, books	3.50	3.50
6. A. M. Lewis, blue vitrol	18.40	18.40
7. Wm. McCullough, blacksmithing	1.75	1.75
8. H. P. Olson, clerks capcases	6.07	6.07
9. A. Nelson, hardware	2.80	2.80
10. M. C. R. R., freight electric supplies	1.17	1.17
11. Anton Nelson, labor on streets	5.87	5.87
12. Wm. Nelson, labor on streets	4.13	4.13
13. A. Petersen, labor on streets	6.60	6.60
14. Geo. Langevin, team work	14.00	14.00
15. R. Rasmussen, team work	18.00	18.00
16. Rudolph Sorenson, labor on streets	6.60	6.60
17. J. Nelson, labor as air commissioner	7.87	7.87
18. Julius Nelson, rent for wagon	1.25	1.25
19. M. C. R. R., freight gravel	112.23	112.23
20. Campbell Gravel Co., gravel	164.72	164.72
21. Mills Bros., board of health	2.60	2.60

(Signed.) R. W. BRINK, A. KRAUS, H. PETERSEN, Committee.

Moved and supported, that the petition of M. A. Bates, relative to erecting poles for telephone system be referred to a committee of three appointed by the president. Motion carried.

The president then appointed, Brink, Petersen and Insley as the committee.

Moved and supported, that the petition of C. C. Westcott et al., relative to a street light at the intersection of Cedar and Ottawa streets, be granted. Motion carried.

The petition of H. Charron was referred to the street committee by the President.

Sealed bids of Peter L. Brown and P. R. Decker, for laying sewer, opened and read.

Moved and supported, that the bids be rejected and that we re-advertise for one week. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the board adjourn. Motion prevailed.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

Grayling, Dec. 14, 1908.

Special meeting of the Common Council convened at the Court House. J. F. Hym, President, in the chair. Present: Trustees Petersen, Kraus, Fournier, Brink and Insley, Absent: Trustee Clark.
Meeting called to order by the President.

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Sealed bids of F. R. Decker and P. L. Brown for constructing sewers: opened and read.

Moved and supported, that the bid of P. L. Brown be accepted at 51 cents per foot complete for 12 inch sewer and 30 cents per foot complete for 18 inch sewer and 10 cents per foot for trenching and backfilling. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the president and clerk be authorized to sign a contract with P. L. Brown relative to the construction of said sewers. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that P. L. Brown be required to furnish a bond of \$2,000.00 for the fulfillment of the contract. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the report of the special committee to whom was referred the petition of M. A. Bates relative to erecting poles and constructing telephone system in the Village of Grayling be adopted with:

REPORT.

SEC. I.—Upon petition of Melvin A. Bates, of Grayling, Michigan to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system in the Village of Grayling, Michigan—Premises is hereby granted to said Melvin A. Bates, and to his successors and assigns, to construct, maintain and operate lines of poles and wires for telephone purpose in such avenues, streets and alleys in the said village as may be necessary.

SEC. II.—No avenue, street or alley, used by said Melvin A. Bates, his successors or assigns, for said telephone purposes, shall be obstructed by him or his agents, while erecting poles, supports, or wires, longer than necessary.

SEC. III.—No poles shall be placed or kept in such position as to injure any curb or drain or interfere with or injure any fire telephone lines, apparatus or electric lighting wires, and, in placing the same, any damage is done to any curb, drain, or fire telephone lines, or apparatus, the same shall be properly repaired at the expense of said Melvin A. Bates, or his successors or assigns.

SEC. IV.—All poles erected shall be shored and kept in an upright position, and shall be placed, and the wires on them so strung as to avoid causing, as far as reasonably practicable, obstruction in any avenue, street or alley.

SEC. V.—Twenty-four hours notice shall be given to the street Commissioner before erecting any poles under this permit, and they shall then be erected under his direction.

SEC. VI.—This Village shall have the right to carry its fire telephone wires on said poles of said telephone system, and when necessary to put alarm boxes upon said poles and connect wires thereto.

SEC. VII.—If for said telephone, within the business section of the Village, shall at the option of the common council, be cabled. Motion carried.

Moved and supported that we adjourn. Motion prevailed.

N. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

This is Worth Reading.

Leo F. Zellinski, of 68 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Bucklen's Arnica Balm. I applied this balm once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at A. M. Lewis & Co's drug store. 25c.

TEMPLE THEATER!

The Moving Picture Show starts Saturday, evening Dec. 19, at 6:30.

ADMISSION - - - 10 cents (Double Show.)

DANCE

after the show
TICKET - - - 50 cents
Stay for the dance and have your wraps checked. 5 cents for checking.

Refreshments AT COUNTER.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR ONE AND ALL AT HATHAWAY'S

I cannot begin to tell you about the MANY nice things I have in my large assortment of XMAS GOODS. A thorough inspection of them cannot help but convince the most skeptical. Altho my prices are the lowest, Quality has not been sacrificed. My aim ALWAYS is to give the best for the MONEY.

FREE!

Engraving on goods sold.

Yours for a Merry Christmas,

C. J. HATHAWAY,

Jeweler & Optometrist.

Grangers take Notice.

Saturday, Dec. 19th will be our regular meeting and the election of officers will take place on the above date, and every member is requested to be present.

ELIZA BROTT, Master.

S. B. BROTT, Secretary.

What is the Use of Saying,

"THE BEST" "THE STRONGEST" "THE MOST COME TRY THEM."

Pen Mutual Life Insurance Co.

That tells the story. Send for particulars.

AGENTS WANTED.

GEO. L. BAHL, General Agent, Detroit

Notice to Taxpayers.

The Tax Roll of 1908 for the Township of Grayling has been placed in my hands for the collection of taxes, which can be paid every week-day at my office in the brick building between Mr. Peterson's Jewelry store and S. H. Co's store.

A. P. W. BECKER, Town Treas.

A Dangerous Operation.

is the removal of the appendix by a surgeon. No one who takes Dr. King's New Life Pills is ever subjected to this frightful ordeal. They work so quietly you don't feel them. They cure constipation, headache, biliousness and malaria. 25c at A. M. Lewis & Co's drug store.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

We will have a choice line of

TURKEYS

DUCKS

GEESE

CHICKENS

OYSTERS

for your Christmas dinner.

Place your order with us early and get the best.

PEOPLE'S MARKET,

MILKS BROS. Prop'rs.

WINTER GIGS

Positively leases particular patrons promptly at popular prices.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will receive before and on the 19th day of December next, at ten o'clock a. m., at my office, will open sealed bids for the purchase of bonds of the Village of Grayling, Michigan in the sum of two thousand eight hundred dollars, payable one fourth of said amount in one year, one fourth in two years, one fourth in three years, and the remaining one fourth in four years from the date of the reception of the money upon the sale thereof, each of said bonds bearing interest at the rate not to exceed six percent per annum payable annually at the office of the treasurer of said Grayling Village and that said interest be evidenced by coupons attached to said bonds agreeing to pay said sums said interest will amount to:

All bids must specify both the rate of interest which will be accepted and the total amount which will be paid for the whole or a specified portion of said issue of bonds.

The right to reject any or all bids for said bonds is hereby reserved.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage made and executed by Eleonora Bates on the 10th day of May 1907 to Sarah E. Bechraft mortgage, which said mortgage was recorded on the tenth day of May, 1907, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber Hof mortgages on page 464, which mortgage was assigned by said Sarah E. Bechraft to Walmer Jorgenson, by assignment in writing bearing date, May 31st, 1907, and recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Crawford County in Liber G of assignment of mortgages on page 501.

Assignee of said mortgage does hereby elect and declare the principal sum and all arrears thereon as now due, and there is now due at this date on said mortgage six hundred and fifty-five 30-100 dollars for principal and interest.

The mortgaged premises are situated in the village of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and state of Michigan, and described as follows to wit: Lot number eleven of block nine, of the original plat of the Village of Grayling, as recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, together with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereof.

This land will be sold at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, on Friday the fifth day of March, 1909, at twelve o'clock noon, local time, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage, costs and expenses of said sale and the attorney fee provided for in mortgage and by law.

Dated, November the twenty-third, 1908.

WALMER JORGENSON, Assignee of Mortgagee.

J. O. CUNNINGHAM, Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee.

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Sealed Proposals.

Sealed proposals will be received by James J. Collen, Clerk of Crawford County, Mich., until 4 p. m. Jan. 4, 1909 for the construction of a two story brick County House. Plans may be seen at the office of said clerk and at the home of the Archt. J. Frederickson, Gaylord, Mich. Certified check \$100 with each bid. Bonds 30 percent of contract to be furnished by the successful bidder. Proposals for plumbing and steam heating of above building will be received at same date and hour, certified check of \$100 with each bid.

Medicine That Is Medicine.

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters, a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles, and for run down conditions." says W. C. Kleister, of Halliday, Ark. Electric Bitters purify and enrich the blood, tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c at A. M. Lewis & Co's drug store.

This is good OVERCOAT WEATHER

What your tailor?

and we are the people who can supply you with Good Overcoats—the kind that fit, look neat and give superior service. If preferred, you can have them Made to Your Order by Ed. V. Price & Co., largest makers in the world of GOOD tailored-to-order Clothes. Come in today, look over their handsome fabrics, and make your Double-Breasted Overcoat selection. No. 539

Cost is Very Reasonable

but the style, fit, shape and value you'll get will surpass any thing to be found in the tailoring line in this town for nearly twice the money.

Salling, Hanson Co.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS!

Christmas Slippers for Men and Ladies, what could be so useful and still cost so little?

New Collars and Belts for Ladies, all the new shades and latest patterns.

Pillow tops and cords from 25 cents to \$1.00.

Mens' neckwear from 25 cents to \$1.00.

Ladies' and Mens' Handkerchief 5 cents to \$3.00.

Ladies' and Mens' Silk Mufflers 50 cents to \$3.00.

Mens' new combination Cuff Buttons and Tie Pins sets something new \$1.50.

Mens' new Shirts in all the new colors.

Fancy Silk and Neta Waists, all colors.

See our new Silk Waist patterns, an ideal Christmas Gifts.

A. KRAUS & SON.

LEADING DRY GOODS STORE.

THE GREATEST CURE FOR COUGHS AND COLDS DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY

GUARANTEED CURE FOR Croup, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Quinsy, Hoarseness, Hemorrhage of the Lungs, Weakness of the Lungs, Asthma and all diseases of THROAT, LUNGS AND CHEST PREVENTS PNEUMONIA

Eleven years ago Dr. King's New Discovery permanently cured me of a severe and dangerous throat and lung trouble, and I've been a well man ever since.—O. O. Floyd, Muskegon, Michigan, U. S. A.

PRICE 50c

SOLE AGENTS A. M. Lewis & Co. Druggists.

Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 17

Local and Neighbored News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are \$1.50 per year IN ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Have your jewelry engraving done at Hathaway's.

Mrs. John Shively of Beaver Creek is visiting her mother at Lansing.

Come to the Central Drug Store for fine Christmas goods.

Special bargains in houses and vacant lots. Apply to Chas. S. Clark.

Look for the Programme of the Band Concert in next week's issue.

House for Rent, near the McKay house. Enquire at this office.

Be sure to send your order for fresh fish to H. Peterson's store.

House to rent, east of Catholic Church. Enquire at this office.

Wanted—A few family washings by Mrs. Bennett, south side of the river.

Come and get first choice of the fine Christmas goods at Central Drug store.

Leave your orders for coal at S. H. Co.'s store. Prices as low as anybody's.

Look up A. Peterson's Ads this week. It will help you in your Christmas shopping.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corwin of Pere Cheney, December 9 a son.

Rev. E. G. Johnson has a nice five piece parlor suit that he will sell at a very reasonable price.

If you want good Christmas goods at the lowest prices come to the Central Drug Store.

St. Charles coal, as genuine as any, \$4.50 per ton, delivered. Geo. Langevin.

S. H. Co., will fill your coal bin, if you leave your order at their store. It will pay you to order now.

Simpson is the cheapest place to buy groceries and dry goods for cash. Come and get prices.

St. Charles coal, as genuine as any \$4.50 per ton, delivered. Geo. Langevin.

For first-class lunches at reasonable prices go to Colleen's Restaurant, Opposite S. H. Co's store.

St. Charles coal, as genuine as any, \$4.50 per ton, delivered. Geo. Langevin.

Cold weather will soon be here and if you need any coal for winter, it will pay you to leave your order with S. H. Co.

"The Best is none to Good," for Christmas Gifts, get them at A. Peterson's Jewelry store and dispense with all wear and worry.

Subscriptions taken for the Youth Companion, the greatest publication in the world for our young people. \$1.75 per year.

A first class work team, good drivers, with harness and wagon for sale, at less than value. Enquire at AVANCE OFFICE.

The party who borrowed, some time ago, an 1 1/2 inch auger bit with patent handle, would oblige P. C. Peterson by returning the same.

For Sale, or will exchange for village property, an 80 acre farm of first class land with fair buildings, 40 acres cleared and stumped, near Frederic. Enquire at this office.

Geo. L. Frank of Bay City, W. S. wants a carload of Christmas trees. Any of our hunters who want to procure them can write Mr. Frank as above for particulars.

The dancing school begins December 22. It is greatly desired that those wishing to join the class let me know before this date. Fred Alexander.

Buy your cut glass and silver at Hathaway's.

For first class Christmas goods and Candy call at the Central Drug Store.

No extra charge for engraving jewelry purchased at Hathaway's.

Dry hardwood for sale, 16 inch. Enquire at this office or of C. R. McNally, Wellington P. O.

H. Peterson will again have a supply of fresh Codfish, Plummer, Eel and Halibut this week.

Box Social and Dance at the Opera House, Sat. eve, Dec. 24, given by the Danish Brother and Sisterhood. All Scandinavians are cordially invited. COM.

Charles W. Miller has presented us with two fine photographs of the wreck of the bridge at Lovells, and one of the bridge before the wreck, for which we are thankful. It seems impossible that such a wreck could occur without injury to life.

Lost—Valuable time in delaying your Christmas shopping.

Found—The place to save time in doing your Christmas shopping is at Peterson's Jewelry store.

Reward—A satisfied customer, a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and all your friends rejoicing with you.

A new shipment of hand painted china at Hathaway's.

Don't fail to read Hathaway's ad. It will help you to select that Christmas present.

Mrs. W. T. Lewis of Frederic was in town Tuesday combining business with calling on old friends.

The Dowel Mill is again running with a full complement of men, and all are glad to hear the whistle.

H. A. Bauman came home last Saturday. He reports but little snow in the Menominee district.

C. F. Kelley of Frederic has been failing in health for the past two months and went to Ann Arbor Monday for medical advice.

Mr. Crandall met with a serious accident in the mill, dislocating his shoulder, which will lay him up for some time.

Regular service has been resumed at the Danish Lutheran Church. Rev. E. J. Hede, the new pastor having arrived last month.

The smokestack is up over R. Hanson & Sons new mill, and most of the machinery in place; so in a few days the smoke will go up and the wheels go around.

Lost—December 5th on the Maple Forest, road from Grayling to the Lewiston crossing one box of soap. Finder please return to this office and receive reward.

Judge of Probate Batterson has been indisposed for the past week, but came down from his home in Frederic Tuesday to look after some matters pending in his court.

The Danish Brother and Sister Society will give a Ball at the Opera House Saturday December 26. There will be a Basket Social in connection with the ball. Ticket for gentleman 50c.

Nine of our merchants met Monday evening and organized what will be known as the Retail Merchants Association of Grayling with Hyman Joseph President; Fred Nairn, Vice-President; and S. S. Phelps, Jr. Secretary.

John J. McCarthy, for six years representative at Lansing from the Standard district, has accepted the position of examiner of inheritance taxes in Michigan. He will take up his new duties January 1.

The Annual Xmas Tree and entertainment in connection with the M. P. Church (South Side) will be held in the church, on Thursday Dec. 24th, Xmas Eve, at 7 o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Married—November 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNevin, Miss Marie McNevin and Mr. Frank Smith of this village, Rev. Fleming officiating. After the ceremony the happy couple left for a visit with friends in Remus.

Duane Willett, who was a resident of Frederic for many years and land locker for the late David Ward, but of late has resided at Vassar, and been engaged by the M. C. R. R. as the inspector was taken insane last week, and had to be confined in the jail at Caro, awaiting an examination. His many friends here will regret to learn these facts and hope for his complete recovery.

A disastrous fire was averted by quick work and plenty of snow in Sorenson's store, Tuesday evening. A customer was about leaving the store and lighted a match to start his smoker. The match fell into the combustible material in the show window, which was beautifully arranged for the holiday trade. That part of their stock was ruined.

V. Sailing has rented the new Opera House in the Old Fellow's building and will open with a moving picture show Saturday evening. The hall will be rented for lectures, dances, and social gatherings. Everything will be up-to-date and will fill a need in our village for cultural enjoyment. The youngsters are all asked to remember and be gentleman, and that no "unpleasantly conduct" will be tolerated.

Messrs. Wesley Bradfield and Athol A. Wyane, engaged in Lumberman Forest Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture have been spending some time in the Upper Peninsula and are now looking over this part of the State, to make a report of the conditions of forestry service, and the best methods of handling lands which are delinquent for taxes, whether by state or county.

There is 25 per cent more robberies and occasion for arrests for "jobs" along the Michigan Central this year, said an official Friday, than last year. This is verified by the report of Special Agent Maynard who in 1906 made only 57 arrests and this year already arrested over 75. For all offenses, most of which are a minor nature, he has made over 350 arrests. Many cases require investigation that are minor troubles, such as catching on trains and throwing stones etc.

It is difficult for a woman who has led an active life as housekeeper to become a passive member of her son's or daughter's home. She likes her old way best, she longs to show the younger generation how they are wasting their resources. Youth will learn only by experience. It resents interference. And so there are misunderstandings, and unhappiness results. A woman is always happier in her own home with her own income, however small it may be, than in the home of another, even of her own son and daughter, though it be a home of wealth and lavish generosity, where there is an earnest desire to make her comfortable and happy.

A. L. Church.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1908.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Grayling to attend our Christmas Service on Sabbath morning at 10:30 o'clock. The choir is making special effort to provide us with high class music, consisting of anthems, solos, and duets; and the pastor will give a short address in harmony with the occasion. We also expect to have special music, and a very interesting service in the evening, at 7 o'clock. Don't miss either of these services.

Sabbath School at 11:45, and Epworth League at 6 p. m.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 24th, the Sabbath School will have a Christmas tree and entertainment. A good program is in preparation, and a very pleasant evening is assured to all who attend.

On Monday evening, Dec. 14th, the Sunday School Board met at the parsonage to elect officers for the ensuing year. The board was unanimous in electing Mr. M. A. Bates as Superintendent; and other officers were elected as follows:

Assistant Superintendent—Dr. Merriam.

Secretary—Emma Knight.

Treasurer—Edna Wingard.

Organist—Katherine Bates.

Chorister—C. J. Hathaway.

Committee on Missions—Anna Melstrup, Laura Munn, and Edna Wingard.

You are invited to attend all our religious and social gatherings; and will always receive a cordial welcome.

E. G. JOHNSON, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1908.

Preaching service at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "The Message of the Cross."

Sabbath School at 12 m. A. B. Fallington, Supt.

Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m. Topic: "Why was the King Born," a Christmas Lesson.

Preaching service at 7 p. m. Subject: "The Star in the East," a Prelude for Christmas.

Prayer meeting and normal class at Dr. O. Palmer's Thursday evening.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

J. HUMPHREY FLEMING, Pastor.

M. P. Church.

(South Side)

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1908.

Preaching service at 10:30 a. m. Sabbath School 11:30 a. m.

Junior League at 3 p. m.

Preaching service at 7 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday, at 7 p. m.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

R. H. CUNNINGHAM, Pastor.

Lovells Locals.

Mrs. Joseph Douglas went to the hospital Thursday to have another operation performed. Mr. Douglas accompanied her.

Wednesday morning the wrecking crew arrived also the bridge crew with another bridge. We expect the trains will be running soon.

Mrs. Dudd of Johannesburg came over Monday. She is visiting with Mrs. Thomas Wauking.

Joe Simms bought another horse. Miss Lora is recovering nicely, and her nurse returned to Bay City Monday.

Mr. Hill of Grayling was in town Tuesday looking over the wreck.

Miss Margaret Husted our efficient teacher is drilling the scholars on exercises for the Christmas entertainment. Miss DeFreese is assisting Miss Husted.

Artist Miller reports that he has been quite busy the past few days, taking and making views of the wreck.

The shingle mill shut down Friday.

John Schram our able blacksmith is doing work at Camp 6 part of the time.

Messrs Dupree and son returned to Grayling Saturday.

T. E. Douglas was at Grayling Monday.

Dr. Underhill has commenced drawing logs to the mill. The sleighing is good and the Dr. is improving it.

The Douglas Co transfer the passengers, baggage and mail for the railroad Co.

Elmer Bowman has commenced drawing logs off from Sec. 11.

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List of Jurors.

The following list of petit jurors have been drawn to serve at the January term of Circuit Court, January 11, 1908.

South Branch—Albert Finch, John Floeter, Hugo Schreiber Jr., James F. Craze, Frank Hutzler, Joseph H. Nickols, Ernest P. Richardson.

Beaver Creek—Will Williams, Andrew Mortenson, Oliver Billman, John C. Failing, Alton Brott, Albert Merrill.

Frederic—W. J. Callahan.

Grayling—Albert Kraus, Peter Aehli, Hugo Schreiber, E. A. Keeler, Maria Hanson, Hans Peterson.

Maple Forest—John Malco, Arnold Johnson, E. S. Houghton, James Knibbs.

The turpentine plant has been given a good trial, and proved itself to be all right. The experts decided on some changes and additions in its machinery to make it more nearly perfect, and will not start it for regular work, until all are installed, probably not until the opening of spring.



Don't miss the beautiful display of Holiday Goods at the Furniture Store. Finest lot, useful and appropriate gifts you ever saw. Splendid assortment for old and young. New Novelties Popular selections, low prices This is your best chance.

Sorenson's Furniture Store.

Drugs.

Patent Medicines.

Central Drug Store

N. R. OLSON
PROPRIETOR
"The Best Drugs."

Hints for

Holiday Buyers

Call at our store—see the pretty things and note the low prices on Manicure Sets, Military Sets, Music Rolls, Brush and Comb Sets, Toilet Sets, Mirrors, Cigar Cases, Hand Bags, Atomizers, Jewel Boxes, Toilet Water, Xmas Perfumes, Pocketbooks, Cigars, Candles and many other articles.

Bring us your Family Recipes. Prescription Work a Specialty.

Candy.

Cigars

O. W. ROESER, Manager.

Mo-Ka COFFEE

The prudent housewife is interested in procuring for the household at all times a delicious, fragrant beverage. Mo-Ka is all selected pure coffee put up only in 1-lb. air-tight packages, thus preserving its Purity, Strength and Flavor. You will find in Mo-Ka all that you wish for in a satisfactory Coffee, at a great saving of money. Drink Mo-Ka Coffee and your meal will be satisfying and sustaining. Ask your grocer for Mo-Ka, the high-grade coffee at a popular price.

SHOPPING DAYS TO

Christmas.

Didn't realize that Christmas was so near did you? And remember that last year you promised your self that never again would you wait until the rush began and the best selections gone. Remember that we offer the largest and best selection and name prices that make the Christmas allowance go farther than elsewhere. Stop in and look over the goods. Buy early and save yourselves and the clerks the inconvenience of a picked over selection. No matter how much or how little you intend spending, give us a call.

A. M. LEWIS & CO.,

Druggist and Book Sellers
Grayling, - - - Mich.

The annual list of lands delinquent for the tax of 1906 and previous years and to be sold by the county treasurer the first of May next, are published in supplement to this issue of the Avalanche.

AMONG OUR GLASSWARE

are to be found many handsome and serviceable gifts. If you like to give something that will remind the recipient of you constantly come and choose from our

DAINTY GLASS AND CHINA WARE.

You can select either sets or odd pieces at a cost which you can limit to a ridiculously small sum if you are so inclined. But no matter how little you spend you'll secure a gift anybody will be glad to receive.

A. PETERSON

Watchmaker, Jeweler and Engraver.

ENTRANCE into my enclosure a red heifer, a year old past. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take her away. Enquire at this office or of MARY T. VALLAD.

OUR EIGHTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPENING

OF

Christmas Merchandise

now on sale and display.

The best equipped Xmas Store in the city is the Grayling Mercantile Co's. We are fully prepared in each department to fill your every want. Three floors of Christmas articles shown.

Do your buying now—there are only 15 days until Xmas, and now when the stocks are choice, you get better selections and better service.

Women's Blouses and Coats—nothing nicer for a gift—an elegant assortment made in the latest styles and at special Holiday prices. We take special pride of our Holiday showing of Men's Ties, Scarfs, Suspensers and fancy sets—each in a box 50c, 75c and up to \$1.50.

Big Holiday line of Men's and women's Slippers at 50c up to \$2. Men's Gloves—lined and unlined at 75c \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. If you intend making a present of a Suit or Overcoat, buy now. New styles and patterns at reduced prices.

Ladies Skirts in Panamas, Velvets and Broadcloths. The new models shown at \$5.00, \$6.50 and up to \$12.00.

Girls Coats in Kerseys, Fancy Mixtures, Bear Skins, all colors and styles at \$2.50 and up to \$10.90.

Special offerings in Ladies Neckwear, Stocks, Ties and Jabots at 25c and 50c.

The new "Queen Anne" stock at \$1.50.

Ruchings at 10c per yard and up.

Give her a pair of gloves! Without doubt no larger line of Ladies Gloves ever shown in the city.

Kid Gloves dressed or undressed at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Gauntlet Gloves \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Swede lined Jersey Gloves at 75c.

Yarn Gloves, all colors at 25c, 50c.

Beautiful Linens—A large line, including Table sets of Napkins and Table Cloth, Towels, Scarfs and Napkins.

Blankets make a very sensible gift—we have them at 50 cents and up to \$8.00.

Above all don't fail to visit our basement. Dolls, Toys, Homs, and Games for the youngsters, at less than half regular prices charged elsewhere. Also a full stock of a line of Graniteware, Tinware and Crochery at money saving prices.

Grayling Mercantile Co.,

"The Quality Store."

New Goods!

We have a fresh stock of all new goods on hand now since selling off old stock at the auction sale.

If in need of a first class Plow, Harrow, Cultivator, Wagon, Buggy, Cutter, Drill, Roller; or infact any impliment or tool; or hardware goods call on us and get the BEST at reasonable prices.

We are in business for your business and wish your trade. We shall continue in the Hardware and Implement business indefinitely at the old stand. See what we can do for you on a new Cutter.

See us for Bargains.

The S. B. Brott Implement Co.

Wellington, Michigan.

S. S. PHELPS.

Call and inspect quality and compare prices.

Candies, Nuts, Fruits

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When you are down town doing your Xmas shopping

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SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS.

Sunday.
The American ship *Albatross* was given a cordial reception at Colombo.

Taft's vote was estimated as larger than that of Roosevelt by a New York paper.

A bomb aimed at the First Ward hall wrecked the Coliseum storehouse and adjoining building in Chicago.

Walter Wellman, writing from Washington, reports that the Japanese government has decided to bar all Japanese immigration to the United States, thus removing the last remaining difference between the two nations.

Monday.
Congress opened and adjourned early out of respect to dead members.

The receiver for the Fidelity Funding Company of New York says loss of \$5,000,000 will fall largely on Roman Catholic churches.

The Chicago council awarded the city hall contract to the Noel Construction Company of Baltimore for \$2,250,000, which is lowest by \$141,000.

Tuesday.
Francis D. Hirschbach was shot dead in his St. Louis home and mystery surrounds the firing of the fatal bullet.

A girl of 13 and a policeman were killed, three others were mortally injured and two more seriously wounded in battles between police and followers of a religious exhorter in Kansas City.

President Roosevelt's final message to Congress was the most vigorous of his series and his plea was for reform in many lines and positive declarations of policies deemed best for the country.

Wednesday.
A \$30,000,000 theatrical trust to control playhouses in all of the big cities is being formed.

The German authorities seek to recover records of the talking machine at Yale which holds Kaiser's speech.

Secretary of War Wright recommends the addition of 612 officers to the army and the elimination of all unfit.

Effects of business depression are shown in the annual report of Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou, who tells how the nation aided in ending panic.

Judge Dupuy ruled that the Field Museum may be erected in Grant Park, Chicago, but A. Montgomery Ward will take the fight to the United States Supreme Court.

Thursday.
Pat Crowe, kidnaper and landlady, made his debut as an evangelist at Evanston, Ill., with a plea against saloons.

Castro landed in France without making the apology the French government was reported to have said it wanted.

Abel-Ruef was convicted of bribery in San Francisco after jury deliberates twenty-four hours; may get fourteen years in prison.

The United States possesses two-fifths of the banking power of the entire world, the annual report of the comptroller of the currency shows.

The Democratic national committee finds itself in debt and an assistant secretary puts the blame on the habit of contributing \$1,000 and expense account of \$200.85.

President Roosevelt announced his intention to prosecute to criminal libel those editors who published scandalous reports about Panama canal building if it can be done.

Friday.
Netherlands warships cleared for action left Curacao for Venezuela.

A young mother and baby lost their lives and three men were badly burned in a garage fire at 1824 Prairie avenue, Chicago.

The author of "White Death" letters in Chicago was revealed as a youth who sought to prove the Sherlock Holmes stories fallacious.

The National Rivers and Harbors Congress adjourned at Washington after appealing to the nation for a \$300,000,000 bond issue for the improvement of water ways.

The decision freeing President Hiram of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company from arrest may stop prosecution of other insurance officials in New York.

The House of Representatives by unanimous vote ordered an inquiry into President's charges regarding the cutting down of the secret service appropriation to save Congressmen from investigation.

Saturday.
More than 100 men were killed or wounded in an explosion of dynamite at Bas Obispo, on the Panama canal route.

The President and President-elect were among the guests at the annual dinner of the Gridiron Club in Washington and were made the targets for jests.

The Venezuelan guard ship *Aliz* was seized off Puerto Cabello by the Dutch cruiser *Gelderland* and towed to Willemstad, where forces making no protest.

Philip B. Hoyt, secretary of a prominent wholesale grocery company, was fatally injured in an auto accident in Chicago, dying without becoming conscious.

CURRENT NEWS NOTES.
A London traveler has figured out that President Roosevelt's hunting expedition in Africa will cost \$28,000.

Fruit growers of California have shipped 12,917 cars of fruit out of the State during the season just closed.

Edward A. Hober, Jr., of Evans, retired, has refused a proposition to make him a president of a home in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson Mariani, daughter of Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland, has been granted a divorce in a Cleveland court.

Reports that the opposition to the liquor trade is dying out throughout the country were made by State organizations at the closing session of the National Liquor League in Washington.

A second attempt to burn the residence in Jersey City of William C. Hoppenheimer, president of the Trust Company of New York and of the Bergen and Manhattan Trust Company, was frustrated.

An anonymous donor has given an automobile with defunctible battery to Columbia University for experimental purposes and the donor has been named. (By Goodwill of George Gould, will be one of its donors.)

JAPAN TO STOP IMMIGRATION.

Last Possible Cause of Trouble Between Two Countries Disappears.

All Japanese immigration to the United States is to be stopped by the Japanese government, writes a prominent Washington correspondent. When the Japanese Diet meets a few weeks hence Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, will make official announcement that the government has decided to prohibit all immigration to the United States after a given date. Thus will disappear the last remaining difference or possible cause of trouble between the United States and Japan.

Japanese prohibition of immigration is the greatest triumph Elihu Root has achieved in the State Department. It was Secretary Root who induced the Japanese government to take this step, and, though the announcement in Tokyo may be made upon the assumption that the Japanese government has voluntarily decided upon this course, as a matter of fact the decision was reached through a long series of negotiations between Secretary Root and Baron Takahira, the Japanese ambassador to the United States. The order of the Japanese government will prohibit all immigration, but will, of course, leave travel free, so that merchants, students and tourists from Japan may visit America at will under the passport agreement with the United States government.

ELIEN MEN ARE KILLED.

Premature Explosion of Dynamite at Bas Obispo on Panama Canal.

A giant blast of dynamite, already prepared for firing, was prematurely exploded in the canal workings at Bas Obispo, on the Panama Canal. Eleven men were killed and fifty injured. Bas Obispo cut is about thirty miles from Colon, and the shock of the explosion was distinctly felt here. Numerous reports are current as to the cause of the accident, but the official version from Culebra states that during the loading of the last hole of the blast the dynamite was discharged and the remaining twenty-two tons were exploded by concussion. The holes had not been connected electrically, as the discharge of the blast was set for 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The majority of the victims are Spaniards. Relief trains were sent to the scene of the disaster. Tradition has it that the Panama Railroad cost one human life for every tie. What with accidents, insurrections and disease, the construction of the canal has not gone along without exacting its toll. There have been a number of accidents. In the last two years, chief among which was the premature explosion of dynamite at Pedro Miguel. In June, 1907, which resulted in the death of seven men and the injury of a number of others.

VENEZUELAN SHIP IS SEIZED.

Dutch Cruiser Sails Under Guns of Forts for Capture.

The Dutch cruiser *Gelderland* came into port at Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Sunday morning towing the Venezuelan coast guard ship *Aliz* with the Dutch flag flying and a Dutch crew on board. The *Gelderland* captured the *Aliz* off Puerto Cabello on Saturday. At that time the *Aliz* was lying close in shore, and notwithstanding the threat which the Venezuelan government had made to fire upon any of the Dutch warships committing a hostile act, the *Gelderland* steamed at speed towards the guardship and sent an officer and guard in a launch to seize it. This they did without resistance and no shots came from the forts. The crew of the *Aliz* was put ashore and the Dutch officer and marines remained on board, the *Gelderland* finally taking the *Aliz* in tow and steaming away with the prize. The seizure of the *Aliz* was in accordance with the instructions were issued to the three Dutch warships now in those waters to make a demonstration off the coast of Venezuela and to capture any Venezuelan ships of war or guard vessels that they might find.

REWARD FOR WIFE'S CAPTURE.

Millionaire Coal Operator Offers \$2,500 for Woman or Escort.

W. A. Stone, a millionaire coal operator of Uniontown, Pa., has offered a reward of \$2,500 for the capture of his wife or Emory Martin, a leading merchant of that place, and detectives are conducting a systematic search for the woman and man. On Dec. 2 Mrs. Stone left her husband and family, the coal operator alleged, and Martin left the same day. Since Mrs. Stone's disappearance her mother, Mrs. Engle, has committed suicide.

NEBRASKA HEAD IS AGREED ON.

Avery to Succeed Andrews if Satisfactory Arrangement Reached.

The announcement is authorized by the board of regents of the University of Nebraska that Dr. Samuel Avery, who was elected acting chancellor of the university in place of E. Benjamin Andrews, whose resignation becomes effective Jan. 1, will become chancellor if his administration is satisfactory. It was added that no further effort is being made to find a successor to Chancellor Andrews.

Girls Poisoned; Father Held.

That death was due to poison is the report of Dr. William F. Kraus, who analyzed the stomachs of Osa and Edith McBroom, daughters of William McBroom of Marked Tree, Ark. The father of the girls is being held at Jonesboro, Ark.

Shot by His Companion.
While out hunting quail with four or five others, Ed Newman, a prominent young man of Warsaw, Ohio, was accidentally shot in the lungs by one of his companions. He died a few minutes later.

Canada Would Bar Japanese.
A resolution adopted at a mass meeting provided for by the Mayor and addressed by G. H. Barnard, Dominion member-elect, was telegraphed to Ottawa urging the abrogation of the treaty arrangement with Japan and legislation of the exclusion of Asians.

Quebec Judge Shows Out Break.
Jean Germaine Protas Blanchard, judge of the queen's bench in Quebec, blew his brains out while suffering from a fit of insanity superinduced by ill health. Judge Blanchard was 60 years old and a descendant of one of the old French families.

LARGE DEFICIT SHOWN IN NATION'S TREASURY.

Cortelyou Reports Expenses for Year Exceed Receipts by \$28,070,201.

IS DUE TO PANIC OF 1907.

Country Now on Up Grade Financially, but Estimated Shortage for 1909-10 is \$143,049,789.

The annual report of George B. Cortelyou, Secretary of the Treasury, shows a reversal of conditions for the fiscal year 1908, as compared with the fiscal year for 1907. For the latter year the receipts were \$84,230,580 in excess of the disbursements. For the fiscal year 1908 the disbursements were \$58,070,201 in excess of the receipts, due to business depression and increased appropriations. Fortunately, the report says, the available cash balance at the beginning of the fiscal year was \$272,001,445.

The treasury was called upon in the latter part of October, 1907, to render assistance in a financial panic which started in New York City and which gradually extended over the entire country. Through treasury operations during this financial disturbance the amount of public deposits with the banks reached \$236,548,821 on Nov. 30, 1907, and on Dec. 27, 1907, the maximum of \$259,004,271 was attained, after which it was decreased to \$234,020,184 by the close of the month. Further withdrawals decreased this amount to \$118,370,530, on Nov. 16, 1908.

The aggregate of trust funds, consisting of gold coin and standard silver dollars held for the redemption of certificates and notes for which they were respectively pledged, increased \$130,000,000 during the year. The monetary stock for the year increased \$233,203,000. The growth in gold was \$151,744,301. In silver, \$17,019,305; national bank notes, \$34,545,227.

Money in Circulation.

At the close of the fiscal year 1908 the money in circulation amounted to \$3,038,015,488, or a per capita of \$43.72. The percentage of gold to circulation was 45.85. There was an increase of \$94,545,227 in the volume of national bank notes during the fiscal year closed July 1 last.

The amount of interest-bearing debt on June 30, 1907, is shown to have been \$934,002,700, and on June 30, 1908, \$807,008,000. The report shows that from the date of the passage of the national bank act in 1863 to July 1, 1908, national banks were granted to 6,174 national banking associations, and at the close of the last fiscal year there were in operation 6,827 associations, with an authorized capital stock of \$390,542,774. Banks to the number of 1,878 have been closed by the voluntary action of their stockholders and 469 insolvent associations have been placed in charge of receivers.

There were purchased for the coinage of subsidiary silver during the fiscal year 1908 309,000 ounces of silver bullion at a cost of \$9,023,026. The receipts from internal revenue taxes for the fiscal year 1908 were \$251,711,129, a net decrease from 1907 of \$17,055,546. The customs receipts for the same period amounted to \$288,113,193, a decrease for the year of about \$400,000.

Basing his figures on the estimates of appropriations already submitted by the several executive departments, the secretary is of the opinion that the excess of expenditures over receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, may reach \$143,049,789. The secretary estimates the deficit for the present fiscal year as \$114,000,000.

MONEY NEEDS OF NATION.

Secretary of Treasury Sends to Congress Estimates for 1910.

The Secretary of the Treasury has submitted to Congress the book of estimates of appropriations required for the service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910. The following shows by departments the estimates for the fiscal year 1910 and the appropriations for the fiscal year 1909, the latter including the deficiency, miscellaneous and permanent annual appropriations:

Objects	Estimate for 1910.	Appropriations for 1909.
Legislative	\$13,178,178	\$14,124,588
Executive	\$112,113,113	\$112,113,113
State department	4,320,505	4,412,450
Treasury department	100,800,045	233,000,073
War department	234,093,150	183,325,110
Navy department	137,110,388	133,160,401
Interior department	200,532,151	212,590,745
Postoffice department	1,511,040	1,737,450
Department of agriculture	18,817,023	15,786,249
Department of commerce	10,045,845	11,844,105
Department of justice	9,890,020	10,003,087
Totals	\$824,408,048	\$832,620,303

The estimates for 1910 exceed the estimates for 1909 by \$37,000,070.

Fire in Ohio State Capital.
Fire caused damage of \$200 on records and papers in the rooms of the State insurance departments at the capitol in Columbus, Ohio. Defective wiring is held responsible.

Blind and Rob Merchant in Home.
Robbers entered the residence of John Rodd, a retired merchant at Defiance, Ohio, bound and gagged him, broke into his private safe with a crowbar and escaped with \$100.

Woolly Man Is a Suicide.
Charles W. Blaw, woolly and manager of the American Lined Company, shot and killed himself at his home in St. Louis. At the residence the report of Mr. Blaw's death was confirmed, but those in the house would make no statement as to the supposed reason for his act.

Head a Pistol and Dropped Dead.
When Mrs. Eliza Humber, aged 66, of Akron, Ohio, received a postal card from her home in Indiana announcing that her father had died, the shock of the news so agitated her that she dropped dead of heart failure.

WHEN EGGS ARE 62 CENTS A DOZEN.



CONGRESS HITS AT ROOSEVELT.

House Names Committee to Act on Part of Message that Offends.

A fight between the President of the United States and Congress, which some seemed to think may exceed any branch since the famous Andrew Johnson impeachment case, began Friday. It was precipitated by the President attacking the integrity of the members of the House and Senate. Action against the President was taken in the House when a committee of four was appointed to deal with the objectionable portions of the message. When the President in his message, declared that the main reason for Congress curtailing the scope of secret-service operations was because the members themselves feared investigation, and that the announcements benefited only criminals, he stirred up the trouble. While the more deliberate Senate was quietly planning a rebuke to the President, the House acted openly.

The resolution providing for the "rebuke" committee was introduced by Representative Perkins of New York, as had been prearranged. The resolution is preceded by a preamble reciting some expressions of the message. In presenting the resolution Mr. Perkins made a brief statement, saying that he was satisfied that the House would not hesitate to take such action as the dignity of that body required. He said that some of the President's expressions were unfortunate.



There are over 100 priests of the Passionist order now at work in this country.

At the Northern German M. E. conference at Baltimore, Minn., a resolution was passed by a unanimous vote condemning the idea prevalent in some quarters that all Germans were opposed to temperance legislation.

Canon Jeremiah C. Moylan, probably the oldest Catholic priest in the world, died in Chicago the other day. He was 100 years old May 3 last. Death was due to old age. It was only two years ago that he celebrated his last mass.

William E. Chandler, former Senator from New Hampshire, has come into the limelight again by advocating a new religious doctrine, namely, that after we lay down our physical beings on this earth our souls will go to some of the stars, there to be redivested with new bodies and to have the same conscious existence as here, only to greater perfection. He said in an interview that his faith in a future life is stronger than ever, but that it was only faith—that we are not intended to have knowledge on the subject.

War to the end on the evil of saloons in Minneapolis being owned by brewing companies is the determination of the Civic Federation of the Mill City. It is estimated that there are 180,000,000 Protestants in the world, as compared with 250,000,000 Catholics and 110,000,000 adherents of the Greek and oriental churches.

The Congregational church at Charles City, Iowa, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a program which included addresses from the older members and readings from surviving members in the distant cities.

The Methodist Times, a British week to divide its profits every year between certain charities. This year the aged ministers and ministers' widows found got \$2,200.

The Lutheran Church of the Ascension at Haverhill gave a pin for each two months' perfect attendance at Sunday school, one of gold gold being the reward for a year's regular attendance.

One of the oldest colored churches in the South is the Washington Avenue Presbyterian of Macon, Ga. It was founded in 1820 by the first church, a white organization that believed it was time to do something for the slaves.

WATER CONGRESS OPENS.

Senators, Governors and Captains of Finance Attend Meeting in Capital.

PLANS NATIONAL IN SCOPE.

Vice-President Fairbanks, Ambassador Bryce and Other Men of Note Deliver Addresses.

One of the most notable gatherings ever assembled in the history of this country in the interest of waterway development was called to order when the National Rivers and Harbors Congress met at Washington in fifth annual convention. The congress is national in its purpose, representing all sections and all waterways, and is endeavoring to impress Congress with the necessity of a comprehensive policy for improving rivers, canals and harbors of the nation. Senators, representatives, diplomats, captains of finance, governors of many States and others high in official life were present.

President Randall in his opening address said Congress should appropriate \$50,000,000 for waterway improvements. Mr. Randall declared that the evidences in favor of improved waterways had been especially marked during the last twelve months. In speaking of President Roosevelt's efforts in this direction he asserted that Mr. Roosevelt in the past President to give special attention to this subject and advocated it forcefully in messages to Congress. He mentioned the fact that both of the leading political parties, as well as most of the others, declared in their platforms in favor of improving the nation's waterways on liberal and comprehensive lines.

In extending to the congress a cordial welcome to the city of Washington, Vice President Fairbanks said it was obvious that the improvement of our waterways had not kept abreast of our industrial needs and our national progress. The time has arrived, he said, when we must give to the subject of securing adequate transportation facilities at a minimum cost intelligent and effective consideration. In discussing the cost of improving American waterways the Vice President said that as much of the benefit to be derived from the expenditures would be for the future a reasonable share of the amount should be provided for by a bond issue, so as justly and equitably to distribute the burden among all the beneficiaries of the expenditure.

Ambassador Bryce of Great Britain, who spoke of the development of British waterways, said conditions in Britain, where few navigable rivers existed, were so different from this country that his suggestions could not be of substantial service.

Slugs Killed and Escaped.

Ray Mack, 18 years old, escaped from the jail in Kansas City, Kan., by striking down his jailer when the latter brought him his food. He used a slingshot he had concealed beneath his bed clothes.

Aged Couple at Prayer Burned.

Kneeling at their bedside as though in prayer, John Sullivan and his wife of Williamsport, Conn., were found burned to death after the firemen had extinguished a fire that entirely destroyed the cottage in which they lived. Sullivan was 74 years old and his wife was 71 years old.

Wit by Snowball; Kills Lad.

Goaded to desperation by the persistence of boys who were snowballing him, Abner Robinson, aged 40, shot and killed Mark Killgus, aged 17, one of his alleged snowballs, in Schenectady, N. Y. Robinson was arrested.

ABRAHAM RUEF GUILTY.

Former Political Boss of San Francisco Convicted on Bribery Charge.

Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was convicted Thursday of bribery. The verdict was returned at 4 o'clock after the deliberations of the jury had been prolonged throughout a period of twenty-four hours. The warnings of Judge William P. Lavinor and the vigilance of the police checked all attempted demonstration.

The trial, which has been in progress for 106 days, ended with surprising abruptness. The day had almost passed without sign or intimation from the jury chamber on the upper floor of Carpenter's Hall, the hopes of Ruef and his attorneys had risen with every hour of delay and the adherents of the prosecution were proportionately discouraged.

As the jury filed into the court room and took their seats in the jury box, Judge Lavinor asked Foreman McNamara: "Have you gentlemen reached a verdict?" "We have," replied the foreman as he handed a folded slip of paper to Clerk Welch. Every eye in the court room was riveted upon Welch as he read the words: "We, the jury, find the defendant, Abraham Ruef, guilty as charged." Immediately everybody arose to their feet. There was a murmur of approval, but no scene or demonstration.

At the other end of the counsel table, near the place where his blood had dyed the floor a deep crimson red, which had been effaced with sandpaper, sat Francis J. Heney, who appeared in the court room for the first time since the day he was shot.

Ruef's conviction renders him liable to a maximum penalty of fourteen years in the penitentiary.



Everybody works the consumer. Many shiver, but few are frozen. The emperor business is not what it once was.

The benevolent Mr. Rockefeller is too full of oil to take water.

Down in Panama they not only have to dig but prop up the canal.

Japan is afraid to kick China while the other nations are looking.

"How to be happy though ex-married" is a problem among the divorced titled.

The originator of the post card system intend to build a postcard battleship?

These courts-martial knock all the romance out of the matinee heroes of the navy.

Some people can get more money on a bad check than others can on a good one. Several prominent bank wreckers will spend the winter season in the penitentiary.

The German Emperor can go off behind the barn and talk to himself as much as he likes.

And after a while the "Independents" also go off together and form a trust of their own.

Indiana has produced a 12-year-old author. Arant' owns the babies in the cradles mate?

With cattle it is the foot-and-mouth disease, and with automobiles the foot-and-mouth disease.

An automobile that is not fixed now and then remembers that he might as well not have a machine.

These are the days when it is unsafe to take to the woods. The amateur hunter is abroad. He is dangerous.

China is getting so liberal it won't be long before you can slap the Emperor on the back and call him old boy.

A man on trial for murder and convicted of arson, is found as bad as the Irish emigrants who saved the man who stole two miles guilty of bigamy.

COMMERCIAL FINANCIAL

CHICAGO.

While the commercial mortality exhibits a surprising elimination of weak concerns, the progress made this week is attested by sustained gain in volume of payments through the banks and steadier conditions in manufacturing. Some branches now prepare for the annual inventories and reports, but there is increase in hands employed and a better flow of specifications and estimates. Leading retail lines here and at interior points are seasonably stimulated by colder weather and the absorption of heavyweight apparel, household needs and food products makes gratifying headway. Christmas wares sell freely and the improvement also appears to some extent in the luxuries. Heavier movements are seen in the breadstuffs, provisions and live stock, with prices at a lower average and more encouraging to consumers. A strengthening influence is derived from the sustained recovery in earnings of the Chicago steam roads. Freight offerings of heavy materials, finished products and general merchandise steadily expand. Mercantile collections are slow to improve on local bills, but country settlements are prompt. Failures reported in the Chicago district number 41, against 20 last week, 22 in 1907 and 25 in 1906. Those with liabilities over \$5,000 number 13, against 5 last week, 5 in 1907 and 3 in 1906.—Dun's Review of Trade.

NEW YORK.

Retail and holiday trade are more in evidence this week, and, as these have expanded, business in regular wholesale and jobbing lines has quieted down. Colder weather and the approach of the close of the year have helped to stimulate final distribution, but it is noted that both regular retail trade and the usual Christmas shopping demand have not yet fully met expectations at many points, and particularly at the South, where low-priced cotton is a retarding feature. Best reports come from the southwest and the spring wheat and Pacific Northwest. In wholesale and jobbing, except where the latter trades are engaged in quick shipments to meet current needs, there is a disposition to go slower, pending a clearer view of year-end distribution and the taking of inventories. In industrial lines, while there is still some idle machinery, the volume of orders booked is sufficient to induce manufacturers to go ahead freely, though this branch notes the influence of higher prices on some raw materials. Business failures in the United States for the week ending Dec. 10 number 238, against 224 last week, 234 in the like week of 1907, 220 in 1906, 226 in 1905 and 230 in 1904. Business failures in Canada number 60, as against 38 last week and 50 in the like week of 1907.—Bradstreet's.

THE MARKETS

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$4.00 to \$7.05; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.00 to \$5.02; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.02 to \$1.03; corn, No. 2, 50c to 60c; oats, standard, 40c to 50c; rye, No. 2, 75c to 76c; hay, timothy, \$8.00 to \$13.50; prairie, \$8.00 to \$12.00; butter, creamery, 27c to 30c; eggs, fresh, 20c to 30c; potatoes, per bushel, 60c to 75c.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$7.00; hogs, good to choice heavy, \$3.50 to \$5.05; sheep, good to choice, \$3.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, \$1.03 to \$1.04; corn, No. 2 white, 50c to 60c; No. 2 white, 40c to 51c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$4.50 to \$7.00; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.05; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, \$1.07 to \$1.08; corn, No. 2, 50c to 60c; oats, No. 2, 50c to 61c; rye, No. 2, 74c to 76c.

MIRROR OF MICHIGAN

Faithful Recounting of Latest State News

KING STRANG'S FATE KNOWN.

Decision to Repeal Money Lender's License.

The Michigan Supreme Court has decided that the claim of William L. Curtis and James R. Wylie against the county of Charlevoix is valid and the proceeds are to be paid to the county. They obtained twenty-three years ago the money lender's license of the state. The accumulated interest is now greater than the principal. Manitowish county, embracing several islands in Lake Michigan, was organized by James J. Strang, who established a Mormon colony at the village of St. James on Beaver Island late in the '40s and was widely known as "King Strang." When Strang was assassinated after a bitter campaign against his religious affiliations his followers scattered and the island became a lawless community. The population never exceeded 1,000. During the financial depression in 1895 the county obtained a loan from Curtis and Wylie, who then conducted a bank at Petoskey. In 1895 the loan remained unpaid, when the Legislature disorganized Manitowish county and attached the islands to Charlevoix and Leelanau counties. Leelanau paid its share of this debt, but Charlevoix demurred with the result that the case was taken into the courts.

ON DEBKARD LIST; FILES SUIT.

Alma Man Demands \$1,000 from Reputed Millionaire Mayor.

Patrons have been served on Mayor Francis King of Alma, in a suit charging him with libel and slander. The Mayor is reputed to be a millionaire and advocates strict observance of the law. He formerly resided in Chicago. The suit is the climax to an amiable fight which recently made this town dry. A committee of the local anti-alcohol league with the Mayor's election a few days ago posted a list of alleged habitual drunkards in three drug stores. Delos Dunkle, one of the men whose name was on the list, is the plaintiff in the suit against King. He has also sued George H. Carl, a real estate dealer. Several other suits are threatened as a result of the list.

STORE AND POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Veggemen Crack Safes, Steal Horse and Get Away with \$200.

Burglars entered the store of Jackson & Caldwell in Pinckney, blew open the safe and secured \$200. They then went to the postoffice, blew open that safe and took \$100 and all the stamps and registered mail. They stole a horse and rig from Arthur Sheehan, which were found the next morning two miles west of Ann Arbor. The horse being in an exhausted condition. Telephone wires were cut and telephone office doors fastened, so the alarm could not be given. Several persons heard the explosions, but thought it safest to keep off the street. The buildings were entered by rear windows.

JAIL SENTENCE WITH FINE.

Battle Creek Justice Hits Liquor Violators Hard Blow.

When Justice Batdorf of Battle Creek fined Charles Wyman \$30 for running a "blind pig," Wyman, who manages the Diamond club house, a negro social organization, felt that it was pretty stiff, considering that he faced a second indictment. But when the court added "and also five days in jail," Wyman nearly collapsed. After Wyman was led away, Batdorf announced that hereafter jail sentences will accompany fines for violation of the liquor law. This caused surprise, as the municipal judge has not been a party to the anti-liquor violation crusade conducted by Prosecutor Stewart and Sheriff Graham.

LUMBERMEN GETTING BUSY.

Prepares for Unusually Large Cut in Woods This Winter.

According to experienced lumbermen, there will be unusual activity in the woods of the upper peninsula during the coming winter. Many men have been sent to the camps during the past two or three weeks and more will follow. The tracts of standing timber were scorched by the forest fires and in order to prevent loss, the companies are compelled to cut these trees immediately. The sawmills of Menominee and Marinette will operate steadily all winter with full force, sawing the logs as rapidly as brought in by rail from the various parts of the upper peninsula.

LOVER DEAD; DROWNS SELF.

Body of Missing Ludington Girl Recovered from River.

Following the discovery of her cloak and hat on the bank of the Lincoln river near Epworth Heights, the body of Christine Lageron of Ludington, who disappeared after listening to a church sermon, was recovered from the depths of the stream. Since the death last spring of her lover, the girl had been despondent and talked of suicide. She was the daughter of a local business man, bore a good reputation and was a member of the Danish-Norwegian church.

DROWNS BEFORE WIFE.

Man Breaks Through Ice in Upper Peninsula and Is Lost.

While crossing Stevens lake, on the shore of which his homestead was located, Ralph G. Eglington, a settler, broke through the ice and despite the desperate efforts of the woman to save him, drowned before the eyes of his wife. Eglington was returning home after a day's hunting trip. Besides his wife he had four small children. He was a former resident of Clintonville, Wis.

Boy Electrified.

Coming in contact with a "live wire" at Clintonville, 17 years old a high school student, met death in the arms of Charles Woods at West Branch.

He went to the barn to milk the cow, and it is supposed, attempted to twist the wire so the electric light would work.

Hard Fall Leaves Inert.

Merritt Hector, a painter, middle-aged and said to have been under the influence of intoxicants, threw himself off one of a second-story windows in Lansing and landed in a heap on the snow sidewalk. He was terribly bruised.

BOY MINER - "EMANCIPATED."

Boy City Lad, Serving Man's Wages, Can Now Keep Pay.

Christ Hansen, 15 years old, who despite his youth, earns \$2.36 per day in the mines, has been "emancipated" from his father by Judge Collins of the Circuit Court. Hansen is now free to keep his wages. Young Hansen is a remarkably bright youngster and took so readily to mechanical work that he was made a machanic at one of the Robert Gage Coal Co. mines. His father, it is alleged, demanded his wages, but refused to permit his mother and sisters to put up lunch for him, do his washing or provide him with blankets. Friends of the boy at the mine brought suit for him against his father to remove him from the mine jurisdiction. The case is said to be the first of its kind in the county.

SLEEPS IN BEAR'S LAIR.

Man Lost in Wilderness - Priest Keeps Up Fires Until Rescued.

Rev. Father Doser of Ontonagon had a miraculous escape from death. He was in the woods for 24 hours, and kept himself alive by means of fire from branches of trees. Searching parties had been seeking him ever since he disappeared. They were hampered in their efforts by a fierce blizzard, which has prevailed for 48 hours. Rev. Father Doser is one of three victims of the uncertainties of the north woods. John Miran of Keweenaw county, was located after being lost in the woods for three days. He slept in a bear's lair for two nights. Reager Rittman, 28 years old, was lost in the wilderness while hunting deer. It is feared he has perished. His home is in Globe, Minn.

MILLIONS LEFT TO YOUNG HEIRS.

Lumberman's Older Children Profited by Previous Division.

The will of Delos A. Blodgett, multi-millionaire lumberman, who died a month ago, was opened in Grand Rapids. The bulk of the estate, estimated at between \$10,000,000 and \$12,000,000, is left in trust for the three young children of Mr. Blodgett by his second marriage. The widow, Mrs. Daisy A. Blodgett, gets \$150,000, an annuity of \$10,000, and the homestead. John W. Blodgett and Mrs. Susan Blodgett Lowe, children by the first marriage, are left nothing in the will, as at the time of his second marriage it is said Mr. Blodgett divided his estate into three portions, giving his son and daughter a third each and keeping a third himself.

FALLS IN CISTERN; DROWNS.

Bay City Woman Strikes on Head and Is Strangled.

Miss Mary Kennedy, 49 years old, plunged head first into a cistern in the rear of a bakery shop she conducted in Bay City, and her body was found by an inspector who, out of curiosity, looked into the open cistern. There was but four feet of water in it, but the woman evidently had been stunned by striking her head against the bottom. Miss Kennedy left the bakery with a pall about half an hour before the body was found, and is believed to have fallen in.

Dr. Shank Dies.

Dr. Rush J. Shank, one of the best-known physicians of Ingham county, died in Lansing after an illness of only a few days. Dr. Shank was past department commander of the G. A. R. of Michigan, past master of Capital lodge No. 60, F. and A. M., and was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Lansing Dec. 15, 1849.

Shoots Mother as Burglar.

Awakened by her screams of "burglars" when she returned from early mass before daylight, Raymond Schneider, 16, a 22-year-old, started downstairs with a revolver, saw his mother on a landing and began firing at her, thinking she was a burglar. One shot took effect in Mrs. Schneider's neck, inflicting a serious wound.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

While on his way home shortly after midnight, Charles Cavanaugh, a Kalamazoo grocer, was knocked down and robbed. Miss Blanche Sparks was held up in the downtown district of Detroit, the thieves relieving her of \$20 which she had tucked away in her stocking.

George Corbel, a prosperous farmer living near North Adams, has lost fifty logs by some vine disease. A number of logs in the vicinity have died and an effort is being made to ascertain the cause and nature of the disease.

Sheriff Shea of Kalamazoo has been refused the custody of A. P. Adams, a man of 60, who is under arrest at Washington, D. C., for forgery. Adams is wanted in Kalamazoo for passing a forged check for \$35 at the American hotel.

John Green, aged 35 years, died at Borgess hospital in Kalamazoo from exposure to the cold. The man, who apparently was a tramp, dragged himself, exhausted, to the farm of J. H. Woodard, four miles from that city, saying he had slept in the woods all night.

While hunting rabbits Wm. Zeigler of Deerfield was instantly killed. He fell and his shotgun was discharged, blowing off the top of his head.

Joseph E. Barkley, a brakeman, was caught between two cars in the Manistee and Northwestern railroad yards in Manistee and was so badly crushed that he died.

Frank Kimmell of Port Huron, with other men, were following a herd of deer when they fell across the backs of two horses, which he was driving. It narrowly missed hitting him as he was unable to jump from the wagon.

The State railway commission has issued an order requiring the Pere Marquette to interchange cars with the Michigan United Railways in carload shipments.

Reports have been received by State Game Warden Thorne that several cougars have lately been secured for setting forest fires in Menominee, Chippewa and Iosco counties.

The township in the vicinity of Mar shall will be quarantined on account of the prevalence of hog cholera. Hundreds of the animals are dying. Probably 400 hogs have died in that vicinity in two weeks.

ROADS RULE EXPRESS.

Census Inquiry Shows Railways Are Large Holders of Carrier Stocks.

FIX RATES BY AGREEMENTS.

Six Leading Companies Dominate in the Package Transportation Business.

An investigation of the express business of the United States has just been completed by the census bureau of the government, which covers all phases of that business and shows in detail the relations of the express companies with the railroads of the country. It is shown, for instance, that the railroads of the country own more than one-fourth of the stock of the express companies and that, in turn, the express companies own railroad stock to the amount of more than \$22,000,000, which is also a figure in excess of one-fourth of their own capitalization. The contracts between the companies and the railroads are set forth as well as the method of determining the rates.

Id. 1907 there were thirty-four express companies as compared with eighteen in 1890. Only ten of the companies reporting in 1890 were in existence under the same name in 1907; the remaining eight companies have gone out of business, have been absorbed by other companies or are operating under other names. The total express mileage has increased from 174,650 miles to 235,903 miles, a gain of 35.3 per cent.

Companies that Dominate.

In 1907 as in 1890 the express business was dominated by the following companies: Adams, American, Pacific, Southern, United States, and Wells, Fargo & Co. The last-mentioned leads in the amount of mileage operated, with the American Express Company a close second. These six leading companies operated 62.7 per cent of the total mileage in 1890 and 67.5 per cent in 1907.

In the number of miles covered by express companies Texas ranks first among the States and territories, followed, in the order named, by Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and Kansas. The use of steamboat lines is most extensive in Alaska, where water routes furnish practically the only facilities for transportation. In Maine, New York, Washington and Michigan the steamboat business is also large. Electric roads are used by the express companies in only twenty States. Seventy-two per cent of the total mileage by electric roads is in Ohio, New York and California. In only fifteen States are stage lines still used by express companies, and 88.7 per cent of the mileage of such lines is in the Western States, principally California and Nevada.

Receipts and Expenditures.

The total receipts of all the express companies amount to \$128,117,170, of which 97 per cent is receipts from operation and 3 per cent receipts from other sources. Over 90 per cent of the total receipts represents the receipts of the six leading companies. Two important items of expense in the express business are the amounts paid to steam roads and the salaries and wages, which in 1907 were \$50,378,349 and \$30,331,754, respectively, and together constituted, as in 1890, over 80 per cent of the reported operating expenses.

BIG APPLE CROP.

This Year's Growing Estimated to Be About 25,000,000 Barrels.

If the apple harvest in the commercial orchards of the United States this year were converted into piles the army of bakers needed to do the work would turn out 2,500,000,000 of them, and these placed side by side would make a path of almost 975,000 miles.

The total weight of this mountain of pastry is estimated at 9,210,000 pounds, including 6,125,000 pounds of flour, and other ingredients used in the popular American after-dinner dessert, and would require 144,100 cars of standard capacity to transport them from the ovens to the consumers.

Twenty-five million barrels, or 62,500,000 bushels, is the estimated yield this season, according to reports received by Harry J. Neely, secretary of the national apple show at Spokane, from 35,000 growers, operating the various belts in the Union.

The returns show that while droughts, excessive rains, or pests wrought havoc in many districts in the middle western, eastern and several southern States, the entire crop is fully as large as in 1907 and it is better distributed. Prices also are higher than last year. However, the domestic supply is smaller than at any time since 1895, for the reason that the demand of the export trade is heavier and increasing yearly.

Bad Emotions Poisonous.

Dr. Landone, who plans to improve the human race by Burbank's plant theories in the rearing of children, in a recent interview dwelt on the value of cultivating love and cheerfulness and good thoughts toward mankind. "For," he said, "the body is a substance composed of chemicals and these chemicals are the energy of the emotions. Anger, hatred and sorrow poison the fluids of the body, while love, cheerfulness and happiness serve as eliminators of emotive and fatigue poisons."

The Tuberculosis Exhibit.

The international tuberculosis exhibition which was first brought together at great expense during the recent congress of experts at Washington, has now been moved to the Museum of Natural History at New York for the benefit of the people of that city.

Prof. Metchnikoff, the Russian microbiologist of the Pasteur Institute, who will receive half the Nobel prize this year for his researches on the immunity of the body, announced that he will devote the money to further study of means to promote longevity.

RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF THE NATION'S PROBLEMS.

The following table shows the relative importance of the nation's problems as President Roosevelt considers them in his message, by the number of words which he devoted to each subject.

Finance	630
Corporations	5,024
Labor	780
Protection for wage earners	1,304
Conservation	4,972
Forests	2,616
National parks	522
Distilled alcohol	106
Pure food	12
Indian service	180
Secret service	588
Postal savings bank	216
Parcel post	240
Education	604
Census	120
Public health	528
Soldiers' homes	108
Independent business and commerce	10
Immigration	84
Statehood	60
Interstate fisheries	408
Foreign affairs	72
Latin-American republics	180
Tammany canal	60
Ocean mail lines	108
Hawaii	580
Philippines	720
Typhoid fever	12
Cuba	132
Japanese exposition	288
Army	636
National guard	420
Navy	792
Total	21,244

FIRE LOSSES ARE ENORMOUS.

Figures Show Big Increase Over Those of Last Year.

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of October as compiled from the carefully kept records of the Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, aggregates \$27,722,570. The total for the same month of the preceding year was \$18,431,480, a startling comparison, demonstrating the unusually heavy fire waste of the past few months.

	1907.	1908.
January	\$2,044,000	\$2,582,000
February	2,044,000	2,485,700
March	2,044,000	10,723,300
April	21,925,000	20,000,000
May	18,286,300	15,181,100
June	18,719,000	10,812,000
July	18,249,150	15,323,700
August	20,248,000	25,123,000
September	15,440,400	21,431,480
October	13,550,250	25,723,850
Total	\$180,737,500	\$208,738,750

It will be seen that, like September, the month just closed exhibited an enormous increase of loss over the same month in 1907, and that the \$25,723,850, 000,000 more loss than for the first ten months of 1907.

The month of October furnished no less than 204 fire resulting in a loss of \$10,000 or over in each instance. These fires, classified according to their destructive force, give the following showing:

\$10,000 to \$20,000	147
20,000 to \$50,000	65
50,000 to \$100,000	53
100,000 to \$250,000	20
250,000 to \$500,000	28
500,000 and over	18
Total	339

There were during October this year eighteen fires causing an aggregate loss each of \$200,000 or over.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Prof. Kennealy of Harvard says that the importance attached to winning a race and beating a concrete competitor is old-fashioned and savors of the "antiquated" days, and that the imperative scientific age demands a different attitude in athletics. He says that the only attempt worth while nowadays is to have a try against the record.

The Cornell educational special is the first farm train to be sent out by the New York State College of Agriculture. Forty-five minute stops were made at the smaller stations, and the subjects chosen for the lectures were those adapted to the products raised in the territory covered. In the larger towns and cities the boards of trade hired halls for the speakers, and many people attended the lectures. Schools were given a holiday to enable students to attend.

In discussing the subject of refractory children at the Congress of Neurologists in session recently at Ghent, Belgium, it was generally admitted by physicians present that the refractory child can not be cured by repressive measures. "It is quite possible," said one, "to punish a child into jail." It was agreed that most unmanageable children suffer from some nervous disease and should be treated as sick rather than as merely refractory. Great stress was laid on the necessity of developing the psychic faculties.

The Harvard library has just received the largest single gift of books ever presented by Edward D. Brandegee of Brookline, on behalf of his wife, and is to be known as the Weld Memorial in memory of Mrs. Brandegee's grandmother, William Fletcher Weld, a benefactor of the college. The gift consists of 11,837 volumes, hundreds of which are not now in the library. Many are specimens of printing and engraving that appeared before or soon after 1500 and were the earliest works of the book-printing art.

Transfers of Wesleyan university have elected Amos H. Merrill, D. D., LL. D., now vice president of Upper Iowa university, to be president of Wesleyan, beginning with next June.

A State branch of the National Society for Promoting Industrial Education was formed at New York City, with prominent men as officers and directors. It will work to bring together all the forces interested in industrial education for the purpose of making most effective use of the money of the Legislature, making it imperative to establish trade schools throughout the State.

In an address before the students of Northwestern university, F. C. Mercer, a reformed drunkard now engaged in evangelistic work in Chicago, gave higher education as a cause for filling potholes. While working in New York he said the fully one-third of the ragged and dirty men that he met were college-bred and dirty.

Four hundred college men stood in the bread line, he asserted. Mercer also made the statement that 75 per cent of the prisoners at Sing Sing were college graduates.

He attributed the downward course these men take to "drugs, women and song," indulged in during college days.



IN QUIET PATHS.

By Henry F. Cope.

"He leadeth me beside the still waters."—Psalm xliii, 2.

By far the greater number of us must live quiet, simple lives. To the few who live in the limelight the existence of the many may seem to be humdrum, flat and uninteresting. But we are all too ready to measure living by its externals and to decide that the life that never leaps into the public glare must be lived in a pitiable gloom. Are there not for all our lives, for these ordinary, simple lives of ours, high lights, flashes that redeem the soul from sordid living, high levels to which we may rise in spirit at least and save life from the dull level of mere existence? How may we find and know such occasions?

Are there not, too, what is of greater importance, splendid motives, lofty aims, and inspiring ideals that may enter into and fill all the dull valleys of the lowliest life? May not even the most commonplace lot be transfigured with the glory of a great sacrifice or a splendid aim?

Life is what we make it. Greatness is not in circumstance, nor of condition, but of character. Who has not known great hearts, high minds and noble souls that have never become known beyond their little circles, who have died, not unwet or unhonored, but unused because the sounds of their living have never reached the ears of the hards of the great, noisy world?

Ordinary people may be to the best people. We tend to measure lives by their vicissitudes rather than by their steady virtues. Those who make startling ascents and descents get themselves talked about, but for the plain business and real work of the world the folks who stay on the ground are the ones we can count on.

It is a good thing to be able to see the glory in the commonplace. We are so easily carried away at the sight of the ancient, tawdry trappings of mediocrity that when true worth appears in homely guise we reject it; it lacks epaulettes and feathers. We complain of fortune because it refuses to dress us in tinsel array.

Modern heroes are more likely to be in jeans or in khaki than in crimson, and great lives are more likely to be found in kitchens and workshops than in the council chambers of kings. It's a cheap and futile way to greatness, this plan of buying its uniform when you lack its heart.

The size and worth of your life depends on its aims and motives and not on the measure of its popular recognition. The world needs to-day not so much men and women of startling powers as those of sterling qualities; not so much a few giants as many of plain goodness. The worth of our day depends more on what we are building into the everyday things than on what some man may be saying or doing in the glare of publicity.

Often it seems a weary business to take up the daily task, the same old grind day after day. Many affect to despise those who do it, but the spirits of eternity look down and award the crowns to those whose toll costs most, to those who steadily face and fear not the awful fogs of monotony and dull plodding. Even genius is a matter of that steady grinding at one thing.

We ought not to despise our commonplace lots or the apparently dull level of other lives. We need vision to see how great is any life, how much of the real riches of life there may be in any lot, how gloriously grand are the meek tasks, the lowliest labors, when love is their motive; how the status of toll becomes a garment of praise when the object is known.

When we see the days as they come along, not as so many hours of dull tasks but as having so many opportunities for self-discovery and development, so many chances to do good, to give love, so many occasions for the graces and virtues, and so many invitations to learn the real worth of things, then the days are transformed from gloom to glory.

We need new eyes and new hearts rather than new circumstances. Whether we live in a prison or a palace depends not on the walls about us but on the will within to be either slave or king, bound by our lot or free in heart, whether we regard life as an imposition or as opportunity. The quiet parts are rich to the open heart, and no way is so quiet that heaven may not be there.

TROUBLE A BLESSING.

By Rev. Duncan J. McMillan, D. D.

Text—"Call upon me in the day of trouble, and I will deliver thee and thou shalt glorify me."—Psalm li, 15.

The Bible was not written for saints in heaven. It is for the struggling sinners here on earth who are tempted and tried. It is this a book for everybody, the outcast as well as the saint, for trouble is universal and this text is for everybody. It takes it for granted that everybody will sometimes have trouble, and it tells us all what to do and how to see deliverance in the day when trouble comes. We need not envy anybody else, for all have their troubles. Trouble is not only universal, but it has a thousand forms, ready fitted to every condition in life. Every man has his burden to bear, and he thinks his burden is bigger and heavier than his neighbor's. Many who seem to us to be exempt, and in perpetual sunshine of happiness, may be in the keenest anguish from causes kindly hidden from human view.

There is only one place in the universe free from trouble—that is heaven. He that is born into that country shall escape trouble forever for Jesus has said: "Let not your heart be troubled. He that believes in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you."

You smile myself, that where I am there you may be also. We shall surely escape all trouble there, for "God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

Most men would like to be rich without the trouble and pains of making the money. They would like to be good and great without the grinding processes out of which goodness and greatness grow. And they would like the charm of grace of refined and beautiful character without the essential processes without which such an attainment has never been reached. The best growths require sunshine and shadow, daylight and darkness. If the sun of God's countenance shines upon us, we may well be content to be wet with the rain of affliction. How often we have seen the heavens overcast with clouds and tempest, no sun appearing to comfort, but when the clouds are exhausted and the shadows have rolled away, how much brighter all nature seems and in the clearer light of the returning sun we bless God for the shower and its shadow.

CYNICS AND FEMINISTS.

By Rev. A. Mac Donald Beach.

Because an excellent spirit was in him—Daniel vi, 3.

An excellent spirit in a man is of more importance than anything else. The men of spirit are the men who do things.

It is an old story, but it will always be true, that the honest-hearted with ailing and pebbles will slay the giant where strong men in ponderous armor quail and flee. An excellent spirit is the best armor. Even the golden rule avails little unless it is applied in the "golden spirit."

The spirit may become diseased as well as the body. The cynic and pessimist, unlike the poet, are made, not born. The sweet spirit of the child is twisted and warped and knotted until at length he is turned loose among men like Samson's foxes, with brands at their tails, doing harm wherever they go. This is nothing less than an unpardonable crime. We have institutions for the criminal and the insane and the sick; why not have them for the men of gloom and despondency and sourness? Let such be subjected to forcible though kindly treatment until the maladies of the spirit are corrected.

The cure of the spirit is possible. The thoughts we dwell upon are the food and medicine of the spirit. Dwell on the failings, injustices and infidelities of life and you will have a despondent, critical and sour spirit. Dwell on the noble, the good, the true, and your spirit will take on buoyancy and elasticity of these things and the "joy of elevated thoughts" will be yours. "My mind to me a kingdom is" will not only pass for good rhetoric, but it constitutes a splendid practical working basis for every ambitious spirit. When the farmer's fields do not yield satisfactorily he plows deeper and releases the pent-up powers of the soil. Then the harvests come in plenty.

We need some mighty thought to go down deep into the subsoil of our spirit and release the imprisoned powers of our being. The multitude of ordinary thoughts only scrape the surface, and the yield is scant. The greatest thought ever presented to the mind of man is the thought of the Father above working out through sacrifice the redemption of human spirits. This thought comes seeking entrance to the human mind. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock," it says. It is the king of all thoughts, yet it comes as quietly as a peasant might come. Once granted admittance to the mind, the true knowledge of it appears and all other thoughts declare themselves its subjects. Then new thoughts and energies make themselves felt.

Such a man reaches out a restful, kindly hand to the world, and when an explanation is sought for the beneficent influence of his life men cast up the accounts and say, "because an excellent spirit was in him."

SHORT METER SERMONS.

Nothing is moved by selfishness.

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Harry's Mother

By Duncan Miller.

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"I'm glad we're about through," said the foreman.

Ho yawned, and tilting back his chair, put his feet on the table with the air of a man who saw, not far off, the end of what had been mostly unpleasant work. They had been at it all day. There had been the usual number of "larcenies, burglaries, "hold-ups," "con" cases, etc., to consider and pass upon. Now and again the monotony was relieved to some extent by a murder or an assault with intent to kill.

"We've found a hundred indictments, with a few yet to consider," said the foreman. "Let's wind 'em up before we adjourn."

The other members of the grand jury yawned their acquiescence.

"That's all the evidence you have, isn't it, Billy?" asked the foreman.

"I think so," responded Billy. "I'll have a look outside witnesses, but we'll make short work of them. There are none that amount to anything."

The retired saloon-keeper borrowed a little "star plug" of his neighbor from Decatur township. The manufacturer looked at his watch, lit a fresh cigar and wondered why the business hadn't all gone to the dogs during the few days he'd been away. He had been quite sure that it would when he asked the court to excuse him from serving on the grand jury.

Billy opened the door and passed through into the ante-room. Some one came in. The foreman took his feet off the table. The manufacturer laid down his cigar. The retired saloon-keeper spat once and sat up straighter.

The prosecutor re-entered, closing the door after him and, motioning the new-comer to the witness chair, took his accustomed place at the table.

"Well, madam, what can we do for you? What case were you subpoenaed for?" and the prosecutor picked up the somewhat thumbed

gut away. I work, you know, and must be back tomorrow. Harry's father died a year ago, and since then Harry and I have both had to work. Harry has worked at a great many hotels before in different parts of the country. The boy he worked under here was a friend of his—Frank Bowers was his name—that's why he came here and—"

"But, madam," interposed Billy, hesitatingly, as he looked over a paper he had drawn from the bundle, "you say your son's name is Alsworth, Harry Alsworth?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well—he does not seem to be charged with stealing a razor."

"Oh! I'm so glad, and then you'll—"

"Bowers was arrested for stealing the razor and—"

"Not feeling just right about the threat, and—"

"And—Harry Alsworth, I see, is charged with stealing a razor containing \$50 from one of the guests of the hotel."

"Not at all! Not at all, sir. I saw the newspaper myself—or the clipping rather—and it said that Harry was accused of stealing a razor—and when he had a razor, too. Wasn't it silly?" She smiled. "I'll just show you the clipping. Here is—Oh! pshaw! I came away in such a hurry that I forgot it. Anyway, Harry wrote me and said—"

"But," commenced Billy, then he paused; the going was getting pretty heavy for him by this time; he looked at the other men. The foreman was looking out of the window, the manufacturer had picked up his cigar, which had gone out, and, after putting the wrong end of it in his mouth, laid it down again; there was no hope for Billy in the others, so he lunged ahead.

"But," he resumed, "the man from whom the razor was taken positively identified it when it was found in your son's possession."

"Fifty dollars, did you say? My Harry—take no, sir! He didn't need it!" triumphantly. She was hesitating not to like Billy. Women never like prosecutors when they're prosecuting.

"Harry made five dollars a week and his board and that was ample, for sometimes he sent me money. Why, only last month he sent me his whole month's salary. Oh! No, sir, Harry didn't do that because he told me—"

"She faltered, then stopped. The confident smile began to die.

"In any event," said Billy, kindly, "we couldn't settle the matter to-night. If he should be indicted, he would have to be tried and it would be a matter of weeks before that."

"Oh! I must get back because I can only get one day away, they are so busy at the store," said Harry's mother.

"I much fear you'll have to stay longer, Mrs. Alsworth, if you want to see this matter through."

The gloom of approaching darkness was settling over the dingy room. The cars were clanging their strident warnings to the hurrying home-goers on the streets below.

"She rose. The smile was dead.

"I'll stay until they let Harry out. You'll excuse me—won't you?" for taking so much of your time—just I—I don't know much about law."

"She straightened up, turned and walked with strained creases toward the door. The foreman wondered why he didn't hear the door open. She was standing quite still. No sound came from her. Her head was bowed in her hands and her spare frame shook.

The foreman went to her, took her by the arm and, leading her to the other door, said, huskily: "Go out this way, you'll not see any one and it's nearer."

She passed out—to wait "until they let Harry out."

The foreman closed the door. After a moment he announced with unwonted brusqueness: "We stand adjourned until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock."

The retired saloon-keeper spat again and blew his nose vigorously. It seemed to Billy in the uncertain light that his cheeks were streaked, but then the saloon-keeper had been perspiring earlier in the afternoon.

The manufacturer coughed a little and said: "There's no use talking, if a fellow wants to be sure he's rid of the hay fever he must stay away until after the fifteenth of October."

In another minute the room was vacant.

Billy reached home just in time to help "tuck the boy in."

While he was reading the paper after supper he looked up at the sweet-faced woman on the other side of the table and said:

"Don't think I'll run for another term as prosecutor, Mary."

A moment or two later he added: "And, dear, we must be very careful to know with whom the boy plays."

Where Forests Die Hard.

That is the one astounding thing in this whole region of northern Maine, the regenerative power of the forest. Men with axes have been hacking at the giants of the wood up here for two centuries and more. The goliaths have been laid low, indeed, yet for one tree that stood on a given space along the hillsides and in the valleys of Number One a century ago five stand today.

They are giants no more, it is true, but they are splendid trees, and just as the Lilliputians might prevail where Gulliver was bound, so these trees hold their own against man and even press in on his clearings and wipe them out. There must be many more lumbermen with axes along the Macawaboc, the Moloune and the Matawaboc, before this beautiful region will fall of its forests.

NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the Eastern Michigan Power Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, with its principal office at the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, has filed a petition with the county clerk of the County of Iosco, Michigan, addressed to the Honorable The Board of Supervisors of the County of Iosco, to be presented by the said county clerk, acting as clerk of said Board of Supervisors, to the Board of Supervisors of said County of Iosco at their next meeting, praying and petitioning for authority, permission and leave to construct dams across the Ausable river in the County of Iosco, for the purpose, at the locations and of the height and description therein mentioned, viz:—

PURPOSE: The purpose of constructing said dams is to regulate, control and utilize the flow of said stream for power purposes.

LOCATION: The dams will be located and constructed across the Ausable river at its near right angles to the thread thereof as may be practicable, and the center of the dams, measuring up and down stream, will be at a point in the middle of the main channel of the stream which point will be approximately determined for each dam as follows:

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PURPOSE: The purpose of constructing said dams is to regulate, control and utilize the flow of said stream for power purposes.

LOCATION: The dams will be located and constructed across the Ausable river at its near right angles to the thread thereof as may be practicable, and the center of the dams, measuring up and down stream, will be at a point in the middle of the main channel of the stream which point will be approximately determined for each dam as follows:

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, DECEMBER 17, 1908.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,) ss.
County of Crawford.

10th day of November, A. D. 1908.
[Seal.] NELSON SHARPE,
County Judge.
Countersigned:
JAMES J. COLLEN, Register.

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06	1 00	2 29	lots 41 and 42.	1	36	0
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